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TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

For the Municipal Year 1891–92.

Selectmen.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN, EDGAR K. RAY,
*JAMES HOOD.

*Died November 3d, 1891.

Town Clerk.

HENRY E. RUGGLES.

Treasurer.

HENRY R. JENKS.

Assessors.

*ASA A. FLETCHER, WILLIAM E. NASON,
EUGENE N. THAIN.

*Died October 29th, 1891.

Overseers of the Poor.

CYRUS M. ALLEN, WARREN H. BRIGHT,
GEORGE E. EMERSON.

Auditor.

NELSON E. NEWELL.

Collector of Taxes.

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD.

School Committee.

*CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,	Term expires	March,		1892
†CHARLES STEWART,	"	"	"	1892
REBECCA FARNUM,	"	"	"	1892
GEORGE KING,	"	"	"	1893
MARY A. WIGGIN,	"	"	"	1893
J. CUSHING GALLISON,	"	"	"	1894
MARY A. HOWARD,	"	"	"	1894

*Resigned.
†Elected to fill vacancy.

Constables.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER, WILLIAM E. NASON,
SILAS W. NICKERSON.

Fence Viewers.

WARREN H. BRIGHT, ROBERT A. STEWART,
ALBERT HILL.

Field Drivers.

FRED P. CHAPMAN. AUSTIN B. CHILSON,
WALTER C. SHERMAN.

Board of Health.

WALTER M. FISHER, GEORGE KING,
WILLIAM E. NASON.

Keeper of Pound.

CYRUS M ALLEN.

APPOINTEES.

Engineers of Fire Department.

GEORGE E. EMERSON,
WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY,
THOMAS SPENCE,
FRANK A. SHINER,
LAWRENCE E. MORRISSEY,
LAWRENCE J. KELLEY.

Auctioneer.

WM. E. NASON,
LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
DAVID W. CORSON.

Surveyors of Lumber.

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
JOSEPH M. WHITING,
LUCIUS W. DANIELS,
WALTER M. FISHER,
CLARENCE H. WOODWARD,
ROBERT A. STEWART,
ORAMEL B. BLAKE.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

GEORGE M WADSWORTH,
ORAMEL B. BLAKE,
CLARENCE H. WOODWARD,
WILTON A. POND,
J. COLLINS JACOBS,
WALTER M. FISHER,
JOSEPH W. HEATON,
IRWIN L. SMITH.

Weighers of Coal and Hay.

JOSEPH W HEATON,
WILLIAM MANN,
GEORGE M. WADSWORTH,
CHARLES H. HEATON,
J. COLLINS JACOBS,
CLARENCE H. WOODWARD,
ORLANDO S. STETSON,
WILLIE L. WADSWORTH.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER.

Measurers of Grain.

FRANK D. METCALF, GEORGE M. WADSWORTH,
WILLIAM ROCKWOOD, CLARENCE H. WOODWARD,
ORLANDO S. STETSON, JOSEPH W. HEATON,
WILLIE L. WADSWORTH, IRWIN L. SMITH.
CHARLES H. HEATON.

Night Police.

ANTHONY CONNOR.

Special Policemen.

ALBERT W. NEWELL, HERBERT M. STOWERS.
WILLIAM H. HOWE, ALBERT J. SMITH,
JEROME B. FITZPATRICK, CHARLES R. GOWEN,
ALMON W. SANBORN, JOSEPH T. HUTCHINSON,
HERMON B. MILLER, LAWRENCE J. KELLEY,
CHARLES BADGER, NATHAN B. ARNOLD,
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS, JAMES GALVIN.
FRED. L. DAVIS, WILLIAM CROWNINSHIELD.

Truant Officer.

SILAS W. NICKERSON.

Fire Wardens.

GEORGE E. EMERSON, CHARLES E. WOODWARD,
WILLIAM F. KING. WILTON A. POND,
THOMAS JEFFERSON DANIELS, HERBERT M. STOWERS.

Roard of Registration.

HENRY E. RUGGLES.
NATHAN C. NYE, Term expires May 1, 1892
BRADLEY M. ROCKWOOD, " " " 1893
JAMES W. DESMOND, " " " 1894

Inspector of Oil.

THADDEUS M. TURNER.

Roadmaster.

HERBERT M. STOWERS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To the Voters and Citizens of the Town of Franklin:

Inasmuch as the principal part of what has usually been embraced in the annual report of the School Committee, touching the condition and needs of our schools, is this year appropriately embodied in our Superintendent's report, by us approved and subjoined below, but little, comparatively, remains to be presented by us. Two or three topics, however, would seem to require at least a brief mention at our hands.

1. And, first, as to

VENTILATION.

It gives us pleasure to be able to report that the ventilating apparatus, during this past year introduced into the old high school building on School street by the Smeade Warming and Ventilation Company, is judged to be an unqualified success. As it regards the heating capacity of this new, and as it is esteemed to be, improved method or system, the weather during the school term the present winter has not generally been of a sufficiently low temperature fully to test it in this regard. We are confident, however, that to render it altogether safe and comfortable during the coldest winter days this building will require considerably more protection against the severity of the season. We may be permitted, in this connection, to add that so large an expenditure on such a building for purposes of ventilation was not in accordance with our best judgment: it was forced upon the town by the authorities of the State.

2. We desire to call special attention to what our Superintendent has felt called upon to say, and, in our judgment, wisely, relative to what ought to be the character, or quality, of the schools to be maintained in our outlying districts.

APPROPRIATIONS.

3. Your Committee feel obliged for the year to come to call upon the town for a somewhat increased appropriation for the support of schools; and, for this reason: formerly, your Committee have depended for funds to support our schools during the month of February — i. e., from the close of our fiscal year, January 31 to March 1 — on certain unexpended balances in other departments of the town's business. Unfortunately, the past year, funds from this quarter, for the purpose named, have not been available. In consequence, to the extent of the school's expenditures for one month, to wit, the month of February, being otherwise unprovided for, we have been under the necessity of running in debt. Our experience, at this point, has taught us that doubtless the wise, business-like method of procedure in this case is, frankly to ask the town for funds adequate for the maintenance of our schools for the whole school year, from March 1 through to March 1 again. Meantime, obviously, under existing circumstances, we are obliged for this once to call for an appropriation large enough to cover the demands of a double February.

An additional reason for a somewhat increased appropriation, at the present time, may be found in the fact that, in order to accommodate our pupils, we have been obliged to open another school during the past year.

OUR SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

1. One year ago, in accordance with the earnest recommendation of your Committee, with a view to a more perfect supervision of its school system, it was voted by this town that in conjunction with the neighboring town of Walpole, we adopt the plan of employing a School Superintendent. Accordingly, early in the school year, in joint action with the school committee of the town of Walpole, we decided to avail ourselves of the services, in this capacity, of Mr. F. W. Sweet, a gentleman who had already gained much favor as superintendent of the schools of Walpole and Bridgewater. And now, after somewhat less than a year's trial of this plan, we take great pleasure in reporting that, in our judgment, the town has

made no mistake in this matter. Your Committee are of the opinion that, all things considered, our Superintendent has scored at least a very encouraging, not to say a decided, success. Entering upon his work here eight months ago, Mr. Sweet, an entire stranger, has naturally labored under certain peculiar and more or less embarrassing difficulties. He has been obliged, of course, to take, and to make the best of things as he found them, initiating at first only such changes as to him seemed absolutely necessary. One full year even is obviously quite too brief a term, and more especially so in case he is under the necessity of dividing his time, energies and efforts between two towns, for any superintendent, whatever his abilities, fully to show what he can do for the schools of a community. Besides, in order to do his best work, plainly a school superintendent should be clothed with full power to select and recommend his own teachers; and should be held responsible for results accordingly. Meanwhile, we have ourselves labored under such disadvantages or disabilities in this case as are naturally incident to the present incumbent of this office being a non-resident; disadvantages, however, which, evidently, will be wholly obviated, when,—as we confidently trust, will, in the near future, be the case,—the town of Franklin shall be favored with the *undivided* services of a school superintendent. Meantime, we cheerfully recognize the fact that Mr. Sweet has already, by his patient and faithful instruction of his teachers, by systematizing the work of the schools, and, in many instances, improving the grading of the same, as well as by efficiently supervising both the distribution of supplies and the general finances of the schools, rendered invaluable service to the cause of education in our town.

Without claiming for the present incumbent of this very important and responsible office any ideal excellences or accomplishments, we yet esteem him a very competent, judicious and useful officer. Alert, diligent, enterprising, capable; well versed in the needs of public schools, the best methods of teaching, and in the duties of his office generally; progressive, an excellent disciplinarian; genial, yet firm and decided,—your committee consider themselves fortunate in having thus,

at the very outset of this, their crucial experiment, secured the services of Mr. F. W. Sweet.

In conclusion, we earnestly recommend that this method of school supervision, now so successfully and hopefully initiated in our midst, will assuredly be continued for the year to come. Having once "broken the ice" in this regard, and made this decided advance in educational matters, Franklin, in our judgment, is by no means the town, on this line, to take any backward step.

For the Committee,
MARY A. HOWARD,
Secretary.

[The above report was unanimously adopted by the School Board at a meeting held Tuesday, Feb. 2d, 1892.]

MARY A. HOWARD, Secretary.

Names of Committee:

CHARLES STEWART.
REBECCA FARNUM.
GEORGE KING.
MARY A. WIGGIN.
J. CUSHING GALLISON.
MARY A. HOWARD

Summary of School Board Account.

I.

Support of Schools Account.

	Dr.	Cr.
To Amount of Annual Appropriation,	$8,750 00	
Amount of Unexpended Balances to pay Feb. bills,	1,062 14	
Tuition received from City Mills School,	29 50	
Amount of Dog Tax,	542 80	
Income School Fund,	134 66	
By Paid Salaries of Teachers to Jan. 31, 1892,		$8,606 40
Paid Janitor's Salaries and Care Houses Jan. 31, 1892,		671 41
Paid for Fuel, Jan. 31, 1892,		937 28
Unexpended balance Jan. 31, 1892,		304 01
	$10,519 10	$10,519 10

II.

School Books and Supplies.

To Amount of Annual Appropriation,	$600 00	
Amount of Unexpended Balances to pay Feb. bills,	22 49	
By Paid for Books and Supplies to Jan. 31, 1892,		666 93
To Amount overdrawn,	44 44	
	$666 93	$666 93

III.

Repairs of School Buildings.

To Amount of Annual Appropriation,	$2,500 00	
Amount of Unexpended Balance to pay Feb. bills,	118 95	
By Paid for Repairs, including Ventilation of Nason St. Buildings.		2,500 69
By Unexpended balance Jan. 31, 1892,		118 26
	$2.618 95	$2.618 95

IV.

Ventilation Old High School Building.

To Amount of Appropriation,	$2.000	
By Paid bills to amount of		1,896 80
Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1892.		103 20
	$2,000 00	$2,000 00

V.

Miscellaneous School Expenses.

To Amount of Annual Appropriation,	$500 00	
Amount of Unexpended balances to pay Feb. bills,	23 13	
By Amount of bills paid,		457 11
Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1892.		66 02
	$523 13	$523 13

VI.

Superintendent of Schools.

To Amount of Appropriation,	$500 00	
By Paid Salary of Superintendent of Schools.		$562 50
To Amount overdrawn,	* 62 50	
	$562 50	$562 50

* This amount is part of $250 due the Town from State after April 1st, 1892, on account employing a Supt. of Schools.

Estimated School Expenses

For the Year Beginning Jan. 31, 1892, and Ending Jan. 31, 1893.

For salary of Superintendent of Schools,		$1500 00
For Support of Schools, including—		
(a) Salaries of Teachers,	$9496 00	
(b) Fuel,	1250 00	
(c) Care Houses,	1400 00	
Total,	$12,146 00	
Estimated Incomes,		
(a) Dog Tax,	540 00	
(b) Income School Fund,	130 00	
(c) Revenue from State on account of Supt. of Schools,	326 00	
Total income,	$996 00	
Necessary to raise by taxation,		$11,150 00
For Miscellaneous School Expenses,		500 00
For Repairs,		600 00
For Text Books and Supplies.		750 00
Total amount to be raised by taxation,		$14,500 00

Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

Ladies and Gentlemen of the School Committee:

The first annual report of your Superintendent of Schools is herewith submitted. In preparing this report it has been my aim to place on record any important changes made during the portion of the year that I have assisted you in the administration of the schools, to point out what seem our chief needs, and to give such information as may interest the citizens of the town, that all may know something of the aim and spirit of our school work, even if unable to make themselves familiar with it by constant, personal attention. In a limited report like this it is impossible to give more than a slight idea of the works and aims of our schools. It is of the utmost importance that a close and sympathetic relation should exist between the home and the school, the parent and teacher. We court with closest scrutiny the freest criticism of our work by the citizens, provided they are regular and constant visitors of the schools, acquainted with the methods and aims and sufficiently informed to give just criticisms. Every-day visits of citizens, dropping in unexpectedly to see every-day work and encouraging pupils and teachers by a display of genuine interest, is what we most need and chiefly like.

teachers.

There have been several resignations and transfers of teachers during the year and appointment of new teachers to fill vacancies. At the close of the summer term resignations were received from the following teachers: Misses Emilie Albee, Susie E. Young, Minerva V. Whitney, Mary J. Burr, Ella G. Daniels and Mr. Chas. R. Adams; and early in January Mr. Geo. H. Chandler resigned as principal of the high school to accept a more lucrative position in the neighboring

town of Milford. At the opening of the schools in September Miss Louisa Metcalf was transferred from Primary No. 1 to Intermediate No. 3; Miss Rebecca Dunning from Primary No. 2 to Primary No. 1; Miss Lydia F. Gould from Unionville to Primary No. 2.

Miss Julia G. Stockbridge was elected to vacancy in Intermediate No. 1; Miss Ella B. Daniels to Intermediate No. 2; Miss Emily T. Morse to Primary No. 6; Miss Nellie T. Razee to Unionville; Miss Susan Senter to 'Latic, and Lucy Tower to the Mount school.

After two months' experience Miss Razee resigned her position at Unionville, and Miss Mary M. Ballou, a teacher of experience, was secured to fill the vacancy.

The vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Chandler has been filled by Mr. H. W. Walker, a graduate of Boston University, who has had some two years' successful experience as a teacher, and it is hoped that the work of this school may continue without further interruption.

Since the opening of schools in January many teachers have been sick with the prevailing "grippe," necessitating the closing of various schools for periods varying from one day to four weeks.

It was found necessary, owing to the crowded condition of the sub-grammar grades, to open a third school of this grade early in September. Suitable accommodations were secured in Morse's block, and the services of Miss Gertrude Bly, who had formerly acted in the capacity of assistant teacher, was secured. Miss Bly, who is a graduate of the high school, without any additional training beyond the ideas she was able to pick up as assistant, deserves great credit for the degree of success she has attained in the management of this school.

This, I believe, is a correct statement of the changes made during the year, and I will pass on to say a few words about teachers in general.

No class of workers need to have a higher ideal of their work than do the teachers of our schools; none need to be more constantly active to improve upon past work; more courageous in meeting difficulties and persistent in overcoming

them. It is very easy to fall into that frame of mind in which we charge all shortcomings of our school to the lack of previous good training of our pupils; to inability of pupils to do good work on account of real or fancied mental weakness inherent in them. We should never lose sight of the fact that, however discouraging our circumstances, persistent and intelligent effort will always improve them and will add to our own power to successfully cope with future difficulties. Granted that pupils have come to us poorly fitted in preceding work, their future success or failure will depend largely upon our own power of discovering in just what they are lacking and our power to devise means for correcting that weakness, our own intelligent persistence in applying the needed remedy. No teacher in Franklin, at least, is asked to do the impossible in covering a fixed amount of ground without regard to the fitness or abilily of her pupils to do such work. She is expeeted to be not only willing, but eager, to give her time and strength freely and unstintedly to the constant study and improvement of her work and school. Doing this wisely and hopefully she can surely count on future success according to her deserts.

Right here let me say that I have little sympathy with those who hold the school responsible for all the training which belongs to the home. Equally little respect have I for the teacher who, seeing an opportunity to help her children to what they need, will neglect that opportunity (it is a privilege as well), on the score that such work more properly belongs to another. Punctuality, neatness, politeness, cheerful obedience to authority, persistence in right-doing, truthfulness—these, indeed, should be grounded in every child by right home-training, but they should be considered by the teacher as the first and best objects of her work in the school-room as well.

The schools below the high school naturally divide themselves into two classes, ungraded and graded schools.

UNGRADED SCHOOLS.

In the first class fall the six ungraded schools, in which are found quite a large number of the pupils of the first nine

years. These schools range from ten to fifty in the average number belonging and from seven to forty-five in average daily attendance. It will be seen that we have several schools in which close grading is impossible, which are too widely scattered to be united, and which must be maintained essentially as they are. These six teachers, each obliged to teach nine years' work in preparation for the high school, together, but perform the work which three, or at most four, could easily do in one large building, and much less efficiently than four could do it where they could grade their pupils and divide the field of labor. It is in such schools as these that good results are obtained with greatest difficulty. For their improvement we are in duty bound to make every possible exertion to give the best teachers our money will command, liberal supplies of all helps to good teaching, constant direction of teachers in their work, encouragement of every good effort, and frequent opportunities for teachers to go where good work can be observed and new ideas gained. It is a mistaken notion that anything in the shape of a school is good enough for the country districts, and that the most capable teachers, highest salaries, best supplies and text-books should be kept for the graded schools. It requires the teacher of the most liberal education, largest experience, best judgment, superior training and highest executive ability to successfully manage one of these schools. These schools can never be made satisfactory to the people who, from force of circumstances, are compelled to send their children to them, so long as the policy is followed of appointing untrained high school gaaduates without any experience to experiment with these schools for a year or two, and if fairly successful transferring them to the center and replacing them by others of the same kind; or, if proven a failure, keeping them in the position for fear of injuring the feelings of some townsman by asking them to resign. The salaries paid in these schools, instead of being the lowest, should be the highest, and should command good talent, and, once secured, a good teacher should be retained. Given the right training and spirit in these teachers, proper materials to work with, careful instruction in good methods, and we may yet hope to

see these schools show results which at present are much beyond their power.

I would call your special attention to the

UNIONVILLE SCHOOL.

In point of numbers this school is much too large to be successfully handled by one teacher. Even if the pupils were all of one grade or class it would be too large. Much bettor results could be attained, and it would be a great advantage, if this school was divided and two teachers employed. I would recommend the remodelling of the building in such manner as to provide two independent rooms and the employment of a primary teacher. The expense of remodelling need not exceed one thousand dollars, and possibly could be done for less.

GRADED SCHOOLS.

By far the larger number of pupils are to be found in the centre graded schools. In these schools, where the work is divided among the teachers, so that no one is required to carry an unreasonable load, is to be shown what standard of work we can maintain. What they do for their pupils will determine what preparation the ungraded schools must give their candidates for the high school. The conditions for good work here are such that success is assured if we but improve our opportunities. The grading of the Arlington street primaries received my early attention, and, with your consent, they were regraded. By the former method each teacher had three grades, and the two schools were alike; by the present arrangement all the first year pupils are in one room and the second and third year pupils in the other. A similar change was made in the Nason street intermediate schools, each teacher at present having only one year's work, whereas by the other plan each teacher had two classes Upon the completion of the new high school building a similar improvement can be made in the high grammar grades by putting all the pupils of the eighth year in one room and all ninth year pupils in the other.

The greatest need of the schools at present is unification. This is gradually being achieved by means of teachers' meetings and a course of study. The work for each year is care-

fully laid out and each teacher asked to come as near as circumstances will permit. Teachers' meetings have been held, the courses discussed and methods suggested, outlines have been furnished in writing, language, geography and numbers, and are already in the hands of the teachers, and others are in preparation.

PRIMARY METHODS.

Within a comparatively few years primary school work has undergone a complete change in its methods and its scope has been greatly enlarged. Pupils no longer are allowed to get through two or three years of school life before they begin to write. The A, B, C method of teaching reading is as dead as is the opposition with which a better was at first met. The test of a child's power to spell is now conceded by his ability to write words correctly, and no oral repetition of the names of the letters, however fluent, can atone for the failure to write the word. In arithmetic, real numbers are at last the objects of study, and figures and signs are recognized for what they are—symbols representing real things. Phonics, form, color, music—all these the modern primary teacher is expected to be able to teach as well as the standard three R's, which we have always with us. Primary teaching is an art, requiring careful preparation by her who would practice it, and she who is in the work without such preparation must learn that she can hope to succeed only by becoming a student and revising her work only in the light of what she learns. And what is true of the untrained teacher is true of her who has had some technical training, though the latter is much the better able to master her work. No teacher can be trusted to do good work unless she is a student all the time, learning from those who are her superiors in technical knowledge, learning always the lessons of experience within her own school.

Some consideration of the most common primary studies may not be out of place here, that we may reach a clear agreement as to the objects of each and the methods to be employed to secure the desired results. If what is said is conceded to be true, some changes in present methods will be seen to demand the attention of our teachers.

READING.

All teaching of reading has for its object the cultivation of the child's power to get thought from the printed page (silent reading), and to IMPART that thought to others (oral reading). By this success in securing these results all our methods and devices are to be judged. If our children, provided with proper material, cannot tell in their own words what they have just read, or if their oral reading consists in simply "calling" the words one by one, with no regard to the thought expressed by the whole sentence, we may safely infer that their reading is not reading at all, since they neither get nor give the thought; that something is radically wrong in our teaching and must be changed if we would be successful.

The chief causes of most of the dull, mechanical reading (so-called), which we find in many of our classes are easy to determine. Lack of the proper teaching by which the written or printed words are properly associated with the ideas for which they stand; lack of an adequate drill upon new words by which the association is firmly fixed, and the power gained to recognize at sight and instantly give the oral word for each of these; the practice of allowing pupils to begin their oral reading of a sentence before they have grasped the whole thought by silent reading. Teachers omit altogether the teaching exercise which should precede every primary reading lesson, substituting for it the so-called study of the lesson, which consists simply in allowing pupils to spend a certain time looking at their reading books. In recitation, when a child fails to recognize a word, he is simply told what it is by the teacher, or some pupil, and no special effort is made to fix his knowledge of the word by repeatedly using it in simple written sentences until he can readily recognize and use it. And when a single book of one grade has been read in this manner, by repeated drills pupils in time memorize much of the matter, and can give it out orally, when still unable to recognize individual words, the class is allowed to attempt the reading of a higher grade book before they are masters of the simpler vocabulary of the first. And when we further find much of the time for reading

devoted to the analysis of words into letters, and repeating the names of these letters, as a means of fixing the forms of the words, we need not be at a loss to determine the reason for what is worst in our reading.

The remedy for this must be found in the intelligent use of a better method. Fortunately we need not go far to find such, sound in theory and most successful in practice, as has been repeatedly shown by the experience of others.

1. We must increase the time allowed for the acquisition of the first reader vocabulary by confining children to reading books of that grade for about two years, in which time they can easily read three or four different books of that class. Give a year or more to reading as many more second readers, continue third readers through the fifth school year, and in a word read very much more matter within narrower grade limits.

2. Word lessons must precede recitation in reading, and on them rather than the so-called study of the reading lesson, we must rely for making the association between new words and the ideas for which they stand for, strengthening the child's power to recognize quickly the less familiar words which he is to meet in his subsequent reading. This substitution of a teaching exercise at the blackboard for repeated readings of the lesson by the pupil at his seat, will enable the teacher to keep the books in her own custody except when in use in recitation, and so conserve their power to interest the child.

3. Sight reading of an easier matter must be a frequent exercise, to test the child's real grasp of his vocabulary, and make him a fluent reader.

4. The forms of all common words must be fixed in mind by much copying, and their meanings shown by repeated use in both oral and written sentences. Less time (with the youngest children none at all) must be devoted to oral spelling, by naming the letters.

5. The SOUNDS for which the letters stand must be closely associated with their symbols (each can be secured by the slow pronunciation of known words, and then drilled upon until the letter always suggests its sound), and the power acquired to

get the oral word (when phonetic) by combining the sounds of its component letters. This will save the teaching of many written words, the oral equivalents for which need only to be heard to be recoguized as already known.

6. The conduct of each recitation must be such that the child shall not be allowed to begin the oral reading of a sentence until he has mastered the whole thought (this until the pupils are proficient readers), and shall then be required to state that thought in good conversational tones to SOMEBODY.

7. The child's comprehension of the story read must be tested and judged by his expression, by his power to repeat the story orally in his own words, and by his ability to do the same in writing. It is here that reading branches out into what is called language work, just as it touches spelling when it calls for careful study of the forms of individual words by writing.

When all this has been said, there still remains untouched the most important factor in securinggood results, the tact and skill of the teacher in exciting the interest of her pupils, in saving drill from degenerating into drudgery, in assisting the hesitating pupil to the thought by the judicious question, which suggests enough and not too much. Teachers who do not possess this power cannot acquire it by the help of words. Rather they should seek out some one whose work is worthy of imitation, and then follow her example just as far as she works within right lines.

SPELLING.

Spelling concerns itself chiefly with words whose meanings are known to the child, and aims so to fix their written forms in mind that he can use them in the written expression of his thoughts. It branches out into language work proper when it attempts to teach him both the meaning and the form. Concerning itself with the form only, spelling goes hand in hand with reading and all the other branches of study, and is an absolute necessity if the child is to express his thoughts in writing. Here it simply gives him command, with a written vocabulary which corresponds to his knowledge of oral words. That this written vocabulary be exact and full is of prime im-

portance, and it can be made so only by making the drill in spelling closely follow the acquisition of each new word. And since the child's only use for spelling is that he may write, it would seem self-evident that he should acquire his knowledge of the forms of words by writing them. Oral spelling may be allowed with children; it may be made helpful when not forced into the earliest work, but it should never be allowed to supplant written spelling, or take more than a small fraction of the time devoted to both. Whether the words whose forms are to be learned are taken from his own vocabulary in other studies, or are supplied with the intention of making additions to his stock of words, it is a rule never to be broken that he is to work upon the FORM of the word only when he has learned its meaning and use. For that reason it is a wise plan to have each word of a lesson put into an oral sentence before the study begins; to have the less familiar words put into written sentences as a part of the work of preparation; and in recitation to have words which are dictated singly put into written sentences by pupils; to give in oral sentences the words which are to be written singly; and to call for many oral sentences showing proper use of all the most difficult words.

Poor work in spelling is most often due to lack of this study by copying, to drill upon the forms of words whose meanings and uses are unknown, to the divorce of spelling from reading and other studies which should supply a large share of its material, and to a blind adherance to spelling books, as a means of saving labor and thought by the teacher. It is unnecessary here to discuss how far our teachers conform to proper methods in teaching spelling; rather I would lay emphasis upon what should be the universal practice, and urge that all our work be in accord with the ideas here advanced.

NUMBER.

Common faults in primary number work are: the lack of an objective teaching of facts; failure to drill with objects, later with figures, until facts are fixed in the memory; imperfect association of figures and signs with the real things (objects and processes) of which they are the symbols, and a too early

use of these symbols; a substitution of working by authority (rules) for that orderly teaching which enables the child to discover from what he has done what he has to do. The neglect of a practical application of the facts learned to simple business transactions. (facts of weights and measures objectively taught, cost problems, making change, etc.)

Within a few months our teachers have been supplied with number blocks for objective teaching of the facts in numbers from one to ten, with splints for teaching the facts in numbers from ten to twenty, and the four processes in higher numbers. The work of the first three years has been carefully mapped out and the method of presenting each part shown and discussed.

We still lack means for teaching objectively the facts of liquid and dry measures and weight. These should be supplied at once, for only when schools are equipped with necessary apparatus can teachers be justly held responsible for good work.

HIGH SCHOOL.

A word only about this school, which, in a sense, stands alone. This school is doing good work; and it has been our endeavor to make the school comply more fully with the requirements of a first-class high school by adopting a course of study that if successfully completed would admit to college. The following course was prepared by the principal and assistant, and adopted by the Committee, and is intended to meet this want. In order to successfully carry out this course with satisfaction to all parties interested, a third teacher should be employed; and I would most strongly recommend that this step be taken at earliest possible date.

CLASSICAL COURSE.

FIRST YEAR.

First term, (*15 weeks.*)	Times a week.	*Second term,* (*13 weeks.*)	Times a week.	*Third term,* (*12 weeks.*)	Times a week.
Latin (Jones lessons.)	5	Latin (Jones' lessons.)	5	Latin (Jones' lessons.)	5
Algebra (Wells.)	5	Algebra (Wells.)	5	Algebra (Wells, as far as Simultaneous Quadratics.)	5
Greek History.	4	Roman History.	4	English History.	4
English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1

SECOND YEAR.

Latin (Cæsar, Book I.)	4	Latin, (Cæsar, Bks. II and III.)	4	Latin, (Cæsar Bks. III and IV.)	4
Allen's Composition.	1	Allen's Comp.	1	Allen's Composition.	1
Greek (Lessons), or *Physics, (laboratory work and text book.)	4	Greek (Lessons), or Physics, (laboratory work and text book.)	4	Greek (Lessons), or Physics, (laboratory work and text book.)	4
Geometry (Wentworth.)	5	Geometry (Wentworth.)	5	Geometry (Wentworth.	5
English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1

THIRD YEAR.

Latin (Cicero against Cataline, orations I, II)	4	Latin (Cicero against Cataline, III and IV. Manilian Law).	4	Latin (Cicero, Manil-Law, Poet Archias and Marcellus.)	4
Allen's Composition.	1	Allen's Composition.	1	Allen's Composition.	1
Greek (Anabasis Bk. I) or French (Berlitz method, Bk. I.)	5 / 5	Greek (Anabasis Bks. II., III.) or French (Berlitz Bk. II. and grammar).	5 / 5	Greek (Anabasis Bks. III. and IV.) or French.	5 / 5
Rhetoric (Lockwood).	4	Rhetoric (Lockwood).	4	American Literature.	4
English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1

FOURTH YEAR.

Latin (Virgil, Bks. I. and II. and Prosody.)	5	Latin (Virgil, Bks. II. III and IV.)	5	Latin (Virgil, Bks. IV, V and VI.)	4
Greek (Iliad, Bk. I. and Prosody), or French.	5 / 5	Greek (Iliad, Bks. II, III or French.	5 / 5	College reviews. or French.	5 / 5
English Literature.	4	English Literature.	4	Reviews.	5
English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1		

Compositions once in four weeks until the last term of the fourth year.

Drawing once a week throughout the course.

Music five times a week throughout the course.

Rhetoricals twice a term throughout the course.

The above course fits for any college, except Harvard and Yale; when Greek is taken it admits to the classical department of the college; when French is taken to the scientific department.

*At the discretion of the Principal and Superintendent, scholars desiring to take the French course, will be allowed to elect some study of the Regular Course, in the place of Physics, in the second year.

REGULAR COURSE (English-Scientific.)

FIRST YEAR.

First Term. (*15 weeks.*)	Times a week.	*Second term.* (*13 weeks.*)	Times a week.	*Third term,* (*12 weeks.*)	Times a week.
B'k Keeping and Commercial Arithmetic.	5	B'k Keeping and Commercial Arithmetic.	5	Physiology and Temperance.	5
Algebra (Wells.	5	Algebra (Wells.)	5	Algebra (Wells.)	5
Greek History.	4	Roman History.	4	English History.	4
English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1	English Composition.	2

SECOND YEAR.

Civil Government.	5	Civil Government.	5	Introductory lessons in Rhetoric.	5
Physics (laboratory w'k and Avery's text book.)	4	Physics (laboratory w'k and Avery's text book.)	4	Physics (laboratory w'k and Avery's text book.)	4
Geometry (Wentworth)	5	Geometry (Wentworth)	5	Geometry (Wentworth)	5
English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1

THIRD YEAR.

Chemistry (laboratory work.)	5	Chemistry and Mineralogy (Lab. work.)	5	Min'l'gy and Geology (Lab. and field work)	5
French (same as in Classical course.)	5	French (same as in Classical course.)	5	French (same as in Classical course.)	5
Rhetoric.	4	Rhetoric.	4	American Literature.	4
English Composition	1	English Composition	1	English Composition.	1

FOURTH YEAR.

Astronomy.	5	English reviews.	5	Botany.	4
French (same as in Classical course.)	5	French (same as in Classical course.)	5	French (same as in Classical course.)	5
English Literature.	4	English Literature.	4	Reviews.	5
English Composition.	1	English Composition.	1		

Compositions, Drawing, Music and Rhetoricals same as in Classical Course.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

The enumeration of children taken May 1st, 1891, shows that there were 1011 children between the ages of 5 and 15 years and 577 between the ages of 8 and 14 years.

By reference to the appended table of statistics it will be seen that the average number belonging to the schools has been 747, with an average daily attendance of 683. As this includes some pupils attending the high school who are over 15 years of age, it will be seen that there are not less than 250 pupils in town between the ages of 5 and 15 years who are not regularly attending school.

The per cent. of attendance has been fair, but can easily be raised. Every effort should be made to have pupils attend school regularly, as it is only by constant attendance that good work can be done.

The record of tardiness for the eight months during which a record has been kept is disgraceful. The number for eight months is 2016, or at the rate of 2500 for a full year. For such

a poor showing as this there is very little excuse. It is a noticeable fact that the largest number charged to any school is 329, and that in the high school. Comment is unnecessary. Every exertion of the teachers should be put forth to suppress this evil, as there is no more pernicious habit than tardiness.

While the importance of habits of regularity and punctuality can hardly be overestimated, teachers should make careful distinction between those irregularities which are unavoidable and those of a different nature. If a child is belated by an absolute necessity it is better for him to have the advantage of a part of the session rather than lose it all for the sake of a record or to escape unnecessary punishment. It is safe to say that nine-tenths of the tardiness in our schools is unnecessary.

In conclusion, I would extend a cordial invitation to the parents and friends of the schools to visit them at all times, remembering that they yield a return in proportion to the amount of confidence and support that we give them. Good schools depend upon the intelligent sympathy of the community as well as upon wise direction and thorough teaching.

FRANK W. SWEET.

School.	Names of Teachers.	Average Number of Pupils belonging.	Average Daily Attendance.	Average Daily Absence.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Tardinesses.
High	H. W. Walker	53.59	50.25	3.34	93.76	329
"	Grace C. Whiting . . .					
High Grammar, No. 1	Frances E. King	35.58	33.86	1.72	95.17	42
" " 2	Mamie O. Sawyer	27.81	25.98	1.83	93.42	54
Sub-Grammer, 1	May H. Blaisdell	48.21	45.80	2.41	95.83	100
" 2	Isabelle M. Reilley . . .	48.12	45.84	2.28	95.26	35
" 3	Gertrude Bly	34.20	32.53	1.67	95.11	35*
Intermediate, 1	Julia G. Stockbridge . . .	51.10	45.57	5.53	89.17	277
" 2	Ella B. Daniels	46.65	42.05	4.60	90.13	81
" 3	Louisa A. Metcalf . . .	42.07	39.12	2.95	92.98	106
Primary, 1	Rebecca Dunning	41.79	37.74	4.05	90.35	173
" 2	Lydia F. Gould	39.	35.85	3.15	91.92	79†
" 3	Lydia A. Harris	35.76	33.06	2.70	92.45	40†
" 4	Adeline McDonald . . .	38.32	35.80	2.52	93.42	98
" 5	Nellie J. Cleary	32.98	30.18	2.80	91 51	48
" 6	Emily T. Morse	29.25	27.13	2.12	92.75	135
City Mills.	Hattie M. Gay	23.79	21.54	2.25	90.62	25
South Franklin, . . .	Sylvia Sawyer	21.19	18.33	2.86	86.50	30
Unionville, ...	Mary M. Ballou	37.22	29.20	8.02	78.45	103
North West., . . .	Lizzie D. Rice	25.23	22.41	2.82	88.82	52
Populatic, ...	Susan L. Senter	22.08	19.08	3.00	86.41	122
Mount., ...	Lucy E. Tower	13.01	11.98	1.03	92.08	52†
	Totals	746.95	683.30	63.65	91.47	2016

* Record for five months. † Record for seven months.

Reports of Town Officers.

Special Police Report.

To the Selectmen of Franklin:

I received my appointment last March as a special officer for the suppression of the illegal sale and traffic in intoxicating liquors in the town of Franklin. Since receiving my appointment I have sworn out and served ten search warrants, made six seizures, and prosecuted six persons for illegal keeping. There are still a few unprincipled men who are doing what is termed "the pocket business"; but even that is not carried on as it was before James McParland left the town. When he left I think we got rid of one of the worst rum sellers that we ever had in Franklin.

The case against Bernard O'Hara for illegal keeping was duly tried before a trial justice, and he was convicted, fined one hundred dollars, and sentenced to four months at hard labor in the House of Correction at Dedham. He appealed to the Superior Court, and failed to furnish bonds, and remained in jail four months, and was then released on condition that he would never engage in the illegal sale or traffic in intoxicating liquors in this town. He has since moved out of town.

I have also prosecuted twelve men for drunkeness, seven for disturbing the peace, four as common drunkards, two for larceny, two for assault, two for selling goods without a license, two for cruelty to animals, two for keeping unlicensed dogs, one for keeping gaming house, five for gaming, and one tramp.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SILAS W. NICKERSON,
Constable.

Board of Health Report.

To the Town of Franklin:

Your Board of Health herewith present their report for the year ending January 31st, 1892. Within the time prescribed by public statute, Messrs. R. L. McPherson, H. Bemis, and J. B. Fitzpatrick were by us duly licensed as undertakers. H. E. Ruggles, Esq., your Town Clerk, was authorized to sign permits for the removal and burial of human bodies. Since our last report, in which your attention was called to the large number of children not vaccinated, we are pleased to be able to state that the School Committee voted "that no scholar, except for adequate cause, should be allowed to attend the public schools unless properly vaccinated." The result is that all scholars now in the public schools are protected by it. But we have reason to believe that there are still a large number of children under five years of age yet unvaccinated. For this neglect of the requirements of the law, parents, guardians, and the Selectmen, must be held responsible. Since the 15th of October last, nine cases of scarlatena have been reported to us. We have reason to believe that the type was mild and that no death has resulted. Some time in the latter part of April or the early part of May, diphtheria appeared in the family of Mr. Geo. H. Cochrane. For some reason the physician in attendance failed to report the cases to us as the law requires, notwithstanding, as he says, one of the persons died of it in its most malignant form. The consequence of such neglect was that no adequate and suitable precautions were taken to prevent the disease from being communicated to others. In a short time after, four cases occurred in the family of Mr. Geo. B. Dorr, of which one only terminated fatally. It is a pleasure for us to say that the further spread of the disease was largely prevented, as we believe, by the prompt and efficient manner in which our directions and suggestions were

carried out by members of the family. In a few cases of neglected privies, cesspools etc., we have found it necessary to require the owner to properly care for them. We believe that if the parties interested would attend to such matters before the hot season, that there would be very little occasion for complaint.

Your Board find that the proper disposal of sewerage matter from dwelling houses and public buildings is every year becoming a more difficult problem to solve, in consequence of there being no suitable outlet for it. In our hotels and boarding houses there is necessarily a large amount constantly being produced. For the most part, in such cases we find that it is allowed to accumulate on the premises in shoal vaults; and is removed, if at all, only when they are full to overflowing. In many cases the vaults are quite too near the houses, and so imperfectly covered as to make them dangerous to health. In one case we found a shallow vault had been located directly under an occupied building, and was the only receptacle for all the excrements from a large number of inmates of a public house. As far as we were able to see no provision had been made for the removal of its contents. Previous to this disposal of it, it had been allowed to accumulate on the ground under the building. A part of it only passed off through the street sewer, from which sickening odors passed out of its surface openings to the anoyance and danger of those breathing them. It finally passed from the sewer to the surface of the ground around the depot, causing a public nuisance, which we were requested by the N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co. to have abated. Our efforts in the matter resulted in its being disposed of as above related, which in a considerable degree obviated the nuisance complained of by the railroad company. Even if it were absolutely possible to prevent house sewage from entering the street drain, there would still be a large amount of surface water, saturated with street filth, delivered from it onto the depot grounds. While this polluted water might not be highly dangerous to health, still its accumulation about the depot renders the place unsightly, and inconvenient for public travel,

and consequently might be regarded as a public nuisance and make the town liable for damages

As your Board have authority only to *demand* the abatement of nuisances without any power to direct *how* it shall be accomplished, unless such power is given them by a vote of the town, we would recommend you to take such action as shall more effectually and satisfactorily accomplish the desired results.

For the Board,

GEO. KING.

WM. E. NASON,
WALTER M. FISHER,
Board of Health.

Assessors' Report.

Number of residents assessed on property.		694
" non-residents assessed on property.		168
" male persons assessed only a poll.		870
" female " " " "		2
Value of real estate assessed, excluding land,	$1,261 265 00	
" land, excluding buildings,	741,450 00	
Total.	$2,002,715 00	
Value of personal estate.	$424,995 00	
" bank stock,	123,640 00	
Total.	$548,635 00	
Total assessed valuation.	$2,551,350 00	
Rate of taxation.	14 50	
Number of horses assessed.		592
" cows "		798
" sheep "		7
" cattle other than cows.		54
" swine.		54
" dwelling houses assessed.		885 1-4
" acres land "		15,442
Total amount of tax assessed on personal estate.	$7,955 20	
" " " " real "	29,039 37	
" " " " polls "	2,775 00	
Total.	$39,769 57	

WM. E. NASON.
E. N. THAIN.
Assessors.

Truant Officer's Report.

To the School Committee:

Since receiving my appointment as Truant Officer I have had twenty four cases reported and have seen the parents of three children. I have sworn out one warrant, and arrested the boy and took him before trial justice Warner. The boy promised to attend school and give me no more trouble. The case was put on file. I find that in a number of the cases reported the parents keep the children at home to work, and in but few of the cases the children are playing truant.

All of which is respectfully submiteed.

SILAS W. NICKERSON,
Truant Officer.

Report of Overseers of Poor.

The Board of Overseers of Poor present the following report for the year ending Jan. 31st, 1892:

The total number of persons having applied for and received aid during the year is 141. Of these, 40 are settled in other towns; 14 were state paupers; the balance (87) have settlements in this town.

Bills are due to the amount of $357.32 from state and other towns.

The management of the Town Farm by the Superintendent and Matron has been very satisfactory, and they have been retained for the coming year. The stock has been increased and a hen house added to the farm. We would again recommend the putting in of steam heat.

Owing to the increase in our insane and poor departments our bills have been much larger, and we would recommend an appropriation of $4,500 for the coming year.

G. E. EMERSON.
W. H. BRIGHT.
C. M. ALLEN,
Overseers of Poor.

Inmates at Almshouse.

	AGE.	WEEKS.
Geo. Daniels,	49	52
Levi C. Fisher,	82	52
Daniel Greene,	86	52
J. W. McPherson,	78	52
Charles A. Clark,	78	52
Henry Grimes,	76	52
Lucy Kimball,	78	52
Cyntha Brown,	89	52
Mary Gallaney,	30	52
Alfred Harrison,	—	29
Ellen Savage,	8	12
James Savage,	6	12
John Savage,	4	12
Clara Linton,	—	1
Alonzo Eddy,	—	3
		537

Police Report.

Number arrested for misdemeanors 11—3 for drunkeness, 2 for larceny, 1 common drunkard, 3 tramps, 2 assaults.

3 locked up and let go in the morning.

Appointed Lockup Keeper at the same time, but cannot tell the number that were locked up, as the other officers locked some up and did not notify me.

ANTHONY CONNOR.
Police Officer and Keeper of Lockup.

Report of Engineers of Fire Dept.

The engineers submit the following report for the year ending January 31st, 1892.

Appropriated.	$2315.53
Expended.	2070.66
Balance unexpended.	$244.87

FIRES.

Mar. 21.—House owned by Joseph Wadsworth, South Franklin; total loss, $900; cause unknown; no alarm.

Apr. 15.—House, estate of Eliza Horton; loss $120.00; put out by department,

May —House of W. E. Nason; partially destroyed; department responded promptly and extinguished fire; loss $1100.

June —House Emery Thayer; partially destroyed; loss $250.

July 10.—House Geo. Murphy; partially destroyed; no alarm; loss $35.

July —House Delia Whiting; small fire on roof; loss $3.50

July 17.—House of James Hood; no alarm; loss $25.00.

Department in good condition, consisting of 2 engines, 2 hose and 1 hook and ladder company.

G. E. EMERSON,
F. A. SHINER,
L. J. KELLY,
L. E. MORRISSY,
THOMAS SPENCE,
W. BUCKLEY,

Engineers.

Treasurer's Report.

Henry R. Jenks, Treasurer,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury February 1, 1891,		$3788 46
Received of J. J. McCarthy on note	$2500 00	
		$6288 46
Amount drawn from Treasury from February 1 to March 14, 1891,		4016 21
Balance in Treasury March 14, 1891,		2272 25
Received of W. E. Nason balances of taxes of 1889,	$1777 51	
" " " interest on "	105 93	
" W. Rockwood on taxes of 1890,	4620 00	
" " interest "	218 31	
" " " 1891,	34,017 00	
		40,738 75
Commonwealth of Mass., Corporation tax,	$3758 21	
" " National bank tax,	218 93	
" " Military aid,	409 00	
" " State aid,	821 00	
" " State pauper account,	85 41	
" " Burial " "	15 00	
" " Income school fund,	134 56	
		5442 11
County Treasurer, for dog licenses,		542 80
Produce sold from town farm,	$482 22	
City of Boston, on pauper account,	111 00	
" Holyoke, " "	63 52	
Town of Wrentham, " "	139 02	
" Oxford, " "	103 95	
" Medway, " "	35 50	
" " for truant scholars,	51 21	
" No. Easton, pauper account,	17 75	
John Dolan, on account of son,	60 00	
Harrison estate, on pauper account,	131 85	
		1196 02
Auctioneer licenses,	$3 00	
Billiard table licenses,	9 00	

Circus,	11 00		
S. W. Nickerson, lockup fees.	9 50		
F. P. Guigon, for lamp lighter,	1 00		
Dean Academy, 75 loads gravel,	75 00		
H. M. Stowers, 10 "	10 00		
J. M. Freeman, dividend on insurance,	67 50		
Benj. F. Savings Bank, rebate of interest,	20 83		
" " interest on L. Pond fund,	40 40		
School tuition, City Mills,	29 50		
School Committee, books sold,	32		
R. G. Fairbanks, trial justice fines,	32 80		
S. Warner, " "	126 94		
			436 79
Temporary notes, borrowed money,			27,500 00
On new high school building, as follows:			
J. M. Freeman, four notes,	$7500 00		
Brewster, Cobb & Estabrook, seven notes,	14,500		
1 1-2 per cent. premium on B. C. & E. notes,	217 50		
9 days interest " "	16 32		
L. A. Harris, for Freeman House,	750 00		
" Underpinning,	47 60		
M. J. Hart, Jr., for Clegg House,	635 00		
Alfred D. Whiting, for barn,	95 00		
Jennie Everett, for shed,	25 00		
A. H. Morse, brick, lime and cement.	98 61		
			23,885 03
J. G. Ray, curbing Emmons Street,			38 48
			$102,052 23

Mch. 14, 1891. EXPENDITURES.

Teachers salaries	to date,	$916 00	
Care of School rooms	"	24 00	
School fuel	"	122 14	
" books	"	22 49	
Repairs school buildings	"	118 95	
Miscellaneous school expenses	"	23 13	
Repairs roads, bridges and walks	"	431 72	
Support of Almshouse	"	202 23	
" Outside paupers	"	844 45	
" Fire dept.	"	15 53	
Street lights	"	550 00	
Town Officers	"	199 88	
Police officers	"	62 50	
Printing and stationery	"	164 35	

Abatement of taxes	"	15 50
Military aid	"	56 00
State aid	"	76 00
Miscellaneous town expenses	"	161 74
Suppression illegal liquor traffic	"	9 50
		$4016 21

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By balance from treasury		4016 21

Jan. 30, 1892.

Teachers' salaries	"	7690 40
School Superintendent	"	562 50
Care of school rooms	"	647 41
Fuel for schools	"	815 14
School books and supplies	"	644 44
Repairs school buildings	"	2381 74
Miscellaneous school expenses	"	433 98
Heating and ventilating O. H. S. buildings	"	1896 80
Repairs roads, bridges and walks	"	8673 84
Support of Almshouse,		1918 90
" Outside paupers,		3474 21
" Fire department,		2055 13
Street lights,		3020 23
Town officers,		1211 74
Police officers,		608 51
Printing and stationery,		188 60
Payments for interest,		1090 01
" temporary notes,		24,200 00
Abatement and collection of taxes,		1595 79
Military aid, under chap. 279, acts of 1889,		508 00
State " " 301, "		876 00
Special appropriations,		400 00
Franklin Library Association,		750 00
State, county and bank taxes,		5051 64
Water supply for hydrants,		3637 50
Miscellaneous town expenses,		662 88
Suppression illegal liquor traffic,		596 28
New high school building,		24,415 37
		$100,007 04
Balance in treasury February 1, 1892,		2045 19
		$102,052 23

HENRY R. JENKS,
Treasurer.

Franklin, Feb. 1, 1892.

EXPENDITURES.

EDUCATIONAL.

Payments to Teachers.

Paid Charles R. Adams.	19	weeks.	$161 50
Emilie Albee,	18	"	180 00
Mary M. Ballou,	10	"	120 00
Mary H. Blaisdell.	35	"	350 00
Mary J. Burr.	17	"	136 00
Gertrude Bly,	37	"	201 00
Annie Bright,	1 3-5	"	14 40
Geo. H. Chandler.	36	"	990 00
Nellie J. Cleary,	37	"	333 00
Clara M. Chapman.	3-5	"	6 00
Ella G. Daniels.	17	"	170 00
Rebecca Dunning.	37	"	333 00
Ella B. Daniels,	19	"	190 00
Lydia F. Gould,	32	"	288 00
Hattie M. Gay,	36	"	306 00
Lydia A. Harris.	35	"	315 00
L. T. Hosmer.	40	"	280 00
Frances E. King.	41	"	492 00
Louisa A. Metcalf.	36	"	343 00
Adeline McDonald.	36	"	324 00
Emily F. Morse,	19	"	171 00
Margaret Pattison.	2	"	20 00
Isabel M. Reilly.	37	"	370 00
Mrs. L. D. Rice.	38	"	342 00
Nellie T. Razee,	9	"	81 00
Mary O. Sawyer.	40	"	480 00

Sylvia Sawyer,	36	"	288 00
Susan L. Senter,	19	"	161 50
Julia A. Stockbridge,	19	"	190 00
Lucy Tower,	19	"	152 00
H. W. Walker,	3-5	"	15 00
Grace C. Whiting,	40	"	500 00
M. B. Whitney,	17	"	153 00
Susie E. Young,	15	"	150 00
Total,			$8606 40

Payments for Care of School Rooms.

Paid Arthur Bennett,	$18 00
Benjamin Bennett,	6 75
William Blake,	1 00
Herbert Blackinton,	7 00
R. H. Davison,	162 00
Carrie Demeritt,	3 00
John Dunning,	13 00
J. E. Ferguson,	16 50
Albert M. Fisher,	10 00
Hattie M. Gay,	18 00
L. A. Harris,	5 00
Almond Hughes,	2 75
Mary Johnson,	9 00
Marvin Jones,	18 50
A. B. Longworth,	110 00
John Lamont,	48 40
Mary L. Millette,	7 50
John Murphy,	67 80
A. J. McFaden,	81 66
Alice and Minnie Scott,	15 25
Edward and Charles Spence,	37 30
John Stratton,	13 00
Total,	$671 41

Payments for Fuel

Paid Chas. R. Adams, cutting wood,	3 00
L. B. Brown " "	12 50
A. F. Daniels, " "	5 50
Nathan Daniels, wood,	8 00
John Dunning, cutting wood,	14 50
T. J. Daniels, wood,	109 50
Heaton Bros., coal,	507 25
J. W. Heaton, coal,	110 15
Geo. S. Hill, wood,	25 25
Timothy Kane, "	41 99
John Lamont, cutting,	1 75
John Murphy, "	10 50
William Mann, coal,	5 78
A. O. Miller, cutting wood,	11 37
O. F. Metcalf and Sons, wood,	5 75
A. J. Newell, "	28 75
Wilton A. Pond, wood,	23 74
Dennis Sullivan, "	12 00
Total,	$937 28

For School Books and Supplies.

Paid Adams Express, express,	$ 25
Warren P. Adams, books,	24 34
American Book Co., books,	19 60
Boston School Supply Co., supplies,	70 65
E. H. Butler & Co., books,	28 80
Carter, Rice & Co., paper,	9 25
A. C. Dana, supplies,	11 77
Ginn & Co., books,	83 43
Goodyear Pub. Co., books,	5 00
J. M. Hammett, books,	206 90
D. C. Heath & Co., books,	6 67
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books,	20 40

Hollingsworth & Vose, paper,	7 76
A. Lovell & Co., books,	5 00
George S. Perry, supplies.	89 26
Razee & Son, express.	6 39
Carl Schoenhof, books.	14 03
Silver. Burdette & Co., books.	44 26
Thompson, Brown & Co., books,	13 17
Total.	$666 93

For Repairs of School Buildings.

Paid D. C. Cotton.	29 89
John Dunning.	2 25
C. M. Drummond & Co., ventilating.	1871 34
James Follansbee.	15 21
F. P. Guigon.	11 72
Geo. H. Grant.	150 79
Wm. D. Huntoon.	52 78
Hosie & Huntoon.	89 06
John R. Meek, blackboards.	10 65
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber.	114 71
E. A. Mason.	70
John Pedan, glass.	11 80
O. A. Stanley.	107 70
R. K. Stevens,	30 09
S. F. Sargent, labor.	2 00
Total.	$2500 69

For Ventilating Old High School Building.

Paid Joseph Guild, repairs.	$29 50
A. W. Newell, "	20 60
Horace W. Keach, blackboards.	38 85
O. A. Stanley, repairs,	17 85
Smead Heating and Ventilating Co.,	1790 00
	$1896 80

Miscellaneous School Expenses.

Paid Albin R. Blake, care of books.	$4 00
Arthur Bennett, cleaning.	35
Belknap & Co., stamps,	4 00
C. P. Carter & Son, sundries.	3 02
Anthony Connor, Truant officer.	6 25
D. C. Cotton, miscellaneous.	7 88
James W. Desmond, labor,	1 00
R. H. Davison, labor.	19 65
Carrie Demerritt, "	3 00
H. J. Folger & Co., ribbons,	1 27
F. P. Guigon, dusters,	4 05
Joseph Guild, cleaning,	8 20
Gurney Hot Water Heater Co.,	87 65
Hosie Bros., repairs, etc.,	58 67
W. D. Huntoon, "	17 37
Horace W. Keach, blackboards.	17 85
John Lamont, cleaning.	9 50
McPherson & Farrington, curtains, etc.,	19 21
Mrs. Peter McMahon, cleaning,	3 50
S. W. Nickerson, use of horse.	3 25
Mary Quinn, cleaning.	9 50
Nellie T. Razee, table,	2 75
J. F. Ray, soap and brush,	73
Razee & Son, express on books,	22 27
H. C. Spencer, diplomas,	53
F. W. Sweet, car fare and expenses.	34 96
S. W. Squire, school census.	30 00
T. B. Senter, labor	2 00
Edwin Trowbridge, rent of organs.	18 00
Wiggin & Faunce, contracts.	3 50
A D. Whitcomb, desks.	53 20
Total,	$457 11

For Superintendent of Schools.

Paid Frank W. Sweet, nine months,	$562 50

For Roads, Bridges and Walks.

PAID.

Feb'y.	As per roll on time book,	$112	50	
	Charles Badger, team labor,	4	50	
	McCarty Bros., "	36	50	
	G. C. Fisher, posts and timber,	15	20	
	Franklin Iron Foundry, castings,	2	10	
	O. F. Metcalf & Sons, hay and lumber,	115	71	
	E. K. Ray, team labor,	2	00	
	Michael Smith, "	10	00	
				$298 51
March.	As per roll on time book,	$372	66	
	Ames Plow Co., tools,	27	70	
	D. C. Cotton, supplies,	5	88	
	Hosie & Huntoon, supplies,	1	90	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	13	80	
	James McParland, harness work,	10	25	
	F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing,	7	10	
	F. B. Ray, blankets,	8	00	
				447 29
April.	As per roll on time book,	$1220	01	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	6	20	
	N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight,	5	40	
	S. C. Taft, surveying,	13	25	
				$1244 86
May.	As per roll on time book,	$1314	16	
	American Road Machine Co., scraper,	250	00	
	R. B. Bailey, labor,	24	45	
	J. G. Cunningham, team work,	4	00	
	J. W. Clark & Sons, repairs,		90	
	W. D. Huntoon, supplies,	9	68	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	31	35	
	A. F. McLean, harness repairs,	1	50	
	N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight on curbing,	91	41	

	F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing,	13 15	
	H. M. Stowers, expenses to Milford,	1 65	
	R. B. Stewart & Co., repairs,	15 35	
	Charles Tingley, labor,	12 95	
	George Tyler & Co., road machine extras,	8 00	
			1778 55
June.	As per roll on time book,	$1091 84	
	R. B. Bailey, labor on curbing,	75 00	
	Carroll Bros., curbing,	680 00	
	Field & Weld, boundary posts,	33 00	
	E. Hartshorn, gravel,	36 84	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	10 40	
	N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight on curbing,	23 85	
	Emory Pond, gravel,	25 00	
	F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing,	31 20	
	S. C. Taft, surveying,	34 50	
	E. Waite, gravel,	25 80	
			2067 43
July.	As per roll on time book,	$690 80	
	Heaton Bros., grain and hay,	165 60	
	A. H. Morse, gravel,	50 00	
	" rent of barn,	24 00	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	35 34	
	F. A. Rogers, "	3 50	
	Dennis Sullivan, fifty posts,	7 50	
			976 74
August.	As per roll on time book,	$411 46	
	Heaton Bros., grain,	4 35	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	14 60	
	F. A. Rogers, "	3 10	
	S. C. Taft, surveying,	9 00	
			442 51
Sept.	As per roll on time book,	$219 36	
	R. B. Bailey, labor,	44 20	
	F. M. Ballou & Co., concreting,	610 49	
	E. K. Ray, posts for railing,	15 00	
			889 05

Oct.	As per roll on time book,	173 55	
	F. P. Guigon, axle grease,	1 50	
	Hosie Bros., miscellaneous,	22 43	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	9 30	
	Irwin L. Smith, grain,	22 00	
	Jason Tower, stringers for bridge	12 00	
			240 78
Nov.	As per roll on time book,	$105 50	
	W. D. Huntoon, merchandise,	1 50	
	Washington Pierce, repairs on Mount road,	7 70	
	A. P. Smith, lettering signs,	5 00	
			119 70
Dec.	As per roll on time book,	$54 50	
	J. G. Cunningham, team work,	15 35	
	Adin Fisher est., housing cart,	10 00	
	Geo. D. Heaton, watering street.	3 00	
	O. F. Metcalf & Sons, grain and lumber,	249 91	
	F. A. Rogers, blacksmithing.	6 75	
			339 51
Jan., '92.	As per roll on time book.	$178 50	
	Bennett Bros., harness repairs,	7 25	
	W. A. Canney, labor and gravel.	8 20	
	W. D. Huntoon, hardware,	50	
	Hosie Bros., saw,	1 00	
	E. A. Mason, blacksmithing.	11 75	
	O. F. Metcalf & Sons, hay and straw,	24 28	
	A. F. McLean, harness repairs,	1 60	
	I. L. Smith, grain,	25 55	
	S. C. Taft, surveying.	2 00	
			260 63
	Total,		$9105 56

For Almshouse.

Paid C. M. Allen, tools, potatoes, etc.	$16 00	
W. A. Bushee & Co., seeds.	4 35	
W. H. Bright, oxen and lumber.	113 81	
Bennett Bros., harness.	9 35	
Austin B. Chilson, butchering,	2 75	
J. G. Cunningham, use of horse.	1 00	
C. P. Carter & Son, dry goods.	45 14	
D. C. Cotton, supplies.	5 94	
O. B. Carter, clothing,	3 25	
Calvin M. Smith, door, etc.	3 00	
Cook Bros., bread and crackers.	9 65	
Thomas Dana & Co., groceries.	299 19	
Joseph Davis, cutting wood,		80 49
Timothy Driscoll, exchange on cattle and cow,		80 50
Geo. E. Emerson, meat,		52 47
Thomas W. Emerson, seed,		9 94
H. J. Folger & Co., dry goods.		4 24
James Follansbee, labor,		5 35
J. C. Gallison, medical attendance on inmates,		35 75
F. P. Guigon, paint.		1 10
Abner Greenwood, salary R. M. Handy,		100 00
F. B. Gay, fish,		13 63
W. D. Huntoon, hardware and repairs.		65 69
Heaton Bros., grain.		168 18
T. Harmon, manure.		35 00
Hawley, Folson & Co., clothing,		21 51
N. E. Hollis, supplies,		22 77
R. M. Handy, salary and expense.		119 66
Hosie Bros., hardware.		18 48
Frank Lesure, boots and shoes.		14 90
Lapham Bros., dusters,		1 13
Lowell Bros. & Bailey, potatoes.		7 00
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber.		148 67
T. L. Martin, veterinary.		5 00
A. H. Morse, ploughing.		7 00

E. A. Mason, blacksmithing,	19 90
N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight,	12 46
Geo. B. Peck, salary and expenses,	151 34
Parker & Wood,	75
F. M. Richardson, wagon,	60 00
Razee & Son, express,	1 20
Reed & Searle, barbering,	2 00
I. L. Smith, grain,	125 95
Stoughton Rubber Co., sheeting,	$2 00
R. K. Stevens. repairs,	29 20
S. W. Thayer, repairing shoes,	50
B. M. Wood, labor,	148 04
J. A. Waterman, clothing,	33 90
Frank Woolford, use of horse,	2 00
Total,	$2121 13

For Poor Outside of Almshouse.

Paid C.M. Allen, milk for M. Doughty and Mrs. Cody,	$36 63
W. H. Baker & Co., supplies to J. Jackson,	90 00
" " " Mary Savage,	72 00
" " " Thos. McCue,	2 00
Byrnes Bros., bread and crackers to J. Callahan,	65 00
City of Marlboro, for J. Hart,	48 00
T. J. Curley, supplies to Mrs. Savage,	52 00
D. W. Corson, meat for Mrs. Cody,	19 98
John Connolly, meat for J. Callahan,	8 00
C. P. Carter & Son, crash,	25
Commonwealth of Mass., for R. Collins, R. C. Glidden,	215 18
County of Norfolk, for J. Stratton, W. A. Chisholm,	94 27
City of Worcester, for Jane Savage,	18 00
Danvers Lunatic Hospital for Insane,	131 21
M. C. Darling, rent for Jillson family,	31 50
M. Doughty, aid,	60 00

George B. Dorr, board of Clara Linton,	34 00
Dean & Sherman, supplies to Mrs. Cody,	19 50
Geo. E. Emerson, meat for M. Parren,	18 23
" " " Fred Parren,	16 57
" " " Mrs. J. Carr,	27 93
" " " M. Savage,	24 28
" " expenses as overseer,	23 55
J. B. Fitzpatrick, burial Julia Butler,	15 00
Patrick Feeley, aid for Murphy children,	153 00
M. Fitzpatrick, supplies to A. E. Hill,	119 36
J. C. Gallison, medical attendance W. H. Cody,	18 00
" " " M. Savage,	9 00
" " " Orin Adams,	11 00
" " " M. Parren,	10 50
" " " Mrs. J. Varley,	7 00
" " " Alice Parren,	10 00
" " " Clara Linton,	21 50
" " " James Butler,	22 00
" " " Kate Butler,	40 00
" " " Various persons,	112 50
Peter George, aid for daughter,	58 50
Lewis J. Gaskill, supplies to J. Jackson,	10 02
Heaton Bros., coal for Mrs. Munroe,	23 50
" " " Mrs. Quinn, Mrs. Cody and Parren,	12 00
E. J. Jordan, for Jas. Butler,	3 00
F. H. Jenks, med. attend. M. Savage,	7 00
Addie Jillson, aid,	78 00
Mrs. Dennis Long, for Kate Butler,	16 75
M. J. Long, rent for Mrs. Quinn,	96 00
John Kennelly, for Ida Callahan,	36 00
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, wood for Munroe,	2 00
G. A. Martin, med. attend. W. L. Pierson,	148 75
" " Daniel Gay,	22 00
" " Annie Munroe,	46 00
" " Mary Munroe,	9 00
" " Gay family,	11 00
Wm. Mann, coal to various persons,	29 43

McPherson & Farrington, burial Henry Barrett.	18 00
" " " J. A. Niles,	18 00
" " " Wm. Nottage.	12 00
McKinnon & Cody, supplies to Mrs. Cody.	18 00
" " " Mrs. Sexton.	2 11
" " " Jas. Butler.	2 00
W. H. Norton, for Mrs. J. Carr,	33 20
" " Rose Phillips.	53 07
W. L. Palmer, for Mrs. Carr,	6 50
Richardson & Emerson, supplies to Jas. Butler.	21 14
Kate Rielly, for Jas. Butler.	2 00
John Richardson, wood for Mrs. Carr.	5 00
J. F. Ray, supplies to Mrs Sexton.	37 50
" " Benj. Bennett.	67 89
George S. Stewart, milk for J. Butler.	1 65
A. M. Smith, rent for Mrs. Carr.	36 00
A. F. Staples, supplies to W. H. Cody family.	72 08
" " Mrs. Sexton,	48 20
" " Jillson family.	14 00
H. Shumsky " Mrs. McGourty.	15 00
E. B. Stowe. " Ida Callahan.	15 00
Bina Seymore, nurse for Clara Linton.	25 00
G . L. Smith, care for Jas. Butler.	3 30
Mary Sullivan, for Jas Butler.	5 00
Town of Framingham, McHugh family.	49 66
Town of Plymouth, Woodman family.	74 05
Town of Shrewsbury, Kate Newell family.	36 00
Town of Milford, Savage family,	21 50
Thompson & Clark, supplies to Mrs. Carr,	26 28
" " " Rose Phillips,	43 70
" " " Mrs. McGourty.	1 52
Jason Tower, board. Catherine Mass.	9 00
T. M. Turner & Co., supplies to Mrs. Munroe.	32 50
" " " Mrs. Niles.	11 00
" " " Mrs. Gay.	2 00
Frank Woolford, for Kate Butler.	38 00
A. M. Waite, rent for Mrs. Cody.	120 00
Mrs. L. Weeks, aid,	104 00

Worcester Lunatic Hospital for Insane,	345 53
" Insane Asylum "	508 39
Chas. Wight, supplies to E. Barro,	104 00
Total,	$4318 66

For Fire Department.

Paid Boston Woven Hose Co., hose,	$341 75
Daniel Buckley, labor,	8 50
W F. Buckley, engineer,	12 00
J. G. Cunningham, forest fire,	9 00
Geo. B. Coleman. "	2 00
Cataract Engine Co., fifty men,	415 00
D. C. Cotton, supplies,	6 08
John Coughlin, labor,	3 25
J. W. Clark & Sons, repairs,	16 94
T. J. Daniels, forest fire,	8 25
Geo. E. Emerson, engineer, exp. on fire alarm,	27 00
Electric Gas Lighting Co., supplies,	6 19
Franklin Iron Foundry, castings,	26 45
Hosie Bros., supplies,	8 85
John Hatch, labor,	1 50
Hook and Ladder Co., fifteen men,	140 00
Herdic Hose Co., twelve men,	120 00
T. W. Halloran, labor,	1 50
Lucy Jones, housing engine,	15 00
L. J. Kelly, engineer,	12 00
M. J. Long, labor,	6 99
E. A. Mason, engine repairs,	27 70
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, wood,	1 00
Lawrence Morrissy, engineer,	12 00
A. H. Morse, rent,	30 00
H. F. Munroe, repairs,	2 10
N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight,	44
George R. Paul & Co.,	25
Protector Hose Co., fifteen men,	150 00

Wilton A. Pond, forest fire,	1 50
J. G. Ray Engine Co., thirty-five men,	350 00
Razee & Son, hauling engine,	2 25
Wm. Rockwood, 101 firemen's taxes,	202 00
Redding Electric Co., supplies,	9 50
Frank Shiner, engineer, labor,	14 00
H. M. Stowers, labor,	1 50
R. B. Stewart & Co., repairs,	27 85
Henry Shumsky, hauling engine,	1 00
Thomas Spence, engineer,	12 00
A. P. Smith, painting,	5 50
Jason Tower,	3 00
E. J. Thayer, labor,	3 75
Union Electric Light Co., wire,	1 45
Geo. Ward, labor,	2 75
Various persons, forest fires,	20 87
Total,	$2070 66

For Street Lighting.

Paid D. C. Cotton, oil	$ 84
James Mahon, care of lamps,	7 15
Union Electric Light Co., thirteen months,	3562 24
Total,	$3570 23

Payments to Town Officers.

Paid C. M. Allen, overseer of poor,	$52 00
Warren H. Bright, "	60 00
J. J. McCarthy, teller,	5 00
James W. Desmond, registrar,	5 25
" " ballot inspector,	3 00
Geo. E. Emerson, overseer of poor,	125 00

Mrs. R. M. Farnum, school committee,	50 00
A. A. Fletcher, assessor,	158 50
Chas. P. Gladding, teller,	5 00
C. E. Griffin, school committee,	36 25
H. H. Gallison, teller,	5 00
D. W. Halloran, registrar,	3 87
Mrs. Mary Howard, school committee,	30 00
Henry R. Jenks, treasurer,	160 00
George King, school committee,	25 75
" health officer,	6 50
Nelson E. Newell, auditor,	50 00
Nathan C. Nye, registrar,	12 31
Wm. E. Nason, assessor,	160 30
Herbert W. Nye, ballot inspector,	6 00
Miss Lydia P. Ray, school committee,	50 00
Wm. F. Ray, "	60 00
Bradley M. Rockwood, registrar,	12 87
" ballot inspector,	2 50
Henry E. Ruggles, town clerk,	50 00
" registrar,	12 87
Eugene N. Thain, assessor,	158 75
Mrs. Mary A. Wiggin, school committee,	20 00
Geo. W. Wiggin, selectman, 1890,	75 00
George R. Winsor, teller,	5 00
W. A. Wyckoff, "	5 00
Total,	$1411 72

For Police.

Paid N. B. Arnold,	$3 75
Stewart Adams,	50
John Bassett,	50
Anthony Connor,	563 35
F. L. Davis	2 00
J. B. Fitzpatrick,	63 66

J. T. Hutchinson,	5 00
L. J. Kelly,	3 50
A. W. Newell,	26 00
H. M. Stowers,	1 75
W. H. Williams,	1 00
Total,	$671 01

For Printing and Stationery.

Paid Advertising for overseers of poor,	$ 75
J. L. Fairbanks, supplies.	1 00
L. C. Howe, type-writing,	1 45
McClinchy & Locke, time book,	6 00
E. W. Merriam, copying warrants.	2 10
P. B. Murphy, for town clerk.	4 00
Norfolk Pub. Co., notices,	4 50
Sentinel Pub. Co., town reports,	147 60
" " " warrants,	10 00
" " " for treasurer,	2 00
" " " town warrants.	15 37
" " " ballots,	10 00
" " " for registrars,	2 75
" " " " fire wardens,	2 75
" " " " board of health.	9 00
" " " " assessors,	27 00
" " " " supt. of schools.	11 25
" " " " town clerk,	4 50
" " " " selectmen.	7 38
" " " " schools,	25 00
" " " " collector,	12 50
" " " " envelopes, notices. etc.,	19 88
Thorp & Adams, for assessors.	7 77
M. R. Warren. for town clerk,	7 25
" " " check book,	11 15
Total.	$352 95

Payments for Interest.

Paid Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank, on note.		$375 00
Franklin National Bank.		448 97
James M. Freeman.		64 17
Jeremiah J. McCarty,		121 87
Odd Fellows, K. D. Lodge.		80 00
Total.		$1090 01

Payments of Temporary Notes.

Paid Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank, note.		$10,000 00
James M, Freeman.	"	2,200 00
Franklin National Bank.	"	7,500 00
Jeremiah J. McCarty.	"	2,500 00
Odd Fellows, K. D. Lodge.	"	2,000 00
Total.		$24,200 00

Abatement and Collection of Taxes.

Paid Albert O. Bacon.	abatement 1891.	$1 74
W. C. Bryant.	"	9 25
James O. Chilson.	"	7 25
Martin and Bridget Costello.	"	2 25
Delilah Cook.	"	7 25
Chas. H. Corbin.	"	73
C. P. Carter,	"	7 25
Nathan A. Daniels.	"	10 15
Lemuel Finley.	"	2 25
Hartford Leonard, heirs.	"	5 80
Richardson Metcalf.	"	8 70
Bernard Rockwood.	"	2 00
E. K. Ray,	"	15 50
W. H. Thomas.	"	1 81

Davis Thayer.	abatement 1891.	6 88
W. A. Wyckoff,	"	7 25
Various persons.	"	442 70
" 1889 and 1890,		632 90
W. E. Nason, collector, 1889,		439 63
Total,		$1611 29

For Military Aid.

Under Chap. 279. Acts of 1889.

Paid Jeremiah D. Blake.	$30 00
Seth A. Blake.	42 00
Benjamin K. Bennett.	12 00
R. K. Ballard,	60 00
Marcus Gilmore.	144 00
Pliney A. Holbrook,	240 00
Lucian Moody,	36 00
Burial Francis V. Mann.	35 00
" Alex. Shiner.	35 00
Total,	$634 00

For State Aid.

Under Chap. 301, Acts of 1889.

Paid Benjamin K. Bennett.	$33 00
John M. Burr.	36 00
Daniel O. Corbin.	48 00
Margaret Carr.	48 00
Julia Casey.	48 00
Frances E. P. Coville,	8 00
Lydia E. Greenwood,	36 00
Nathaniel S. Grow,	36 00
George H. Greenwood.	24 00

Nathaniel Ide,	48 00
Samuel H. Jordan,	36 00
Clara D. Jordan,	48 00
Richard H. King.	48 00
Bridget Maun,	24 00
Francis V. Mann,	20 00
Wm. H. Miller,	48 00
Charlotte H. Miller,	48 00
Louisa Mann,	33 00
Rosilla Newcomb,	48 00
Alexander Shiner,	20 00
George W. Thompson,	48 00
Annie E. Taft,	48 00
Mary White,	48 00
Total,	$882 00

For Memorial Day.

Paid Post 60, G. A. R.,	$100 00

For Land on Depot Street.

Paid Est. D. C. Cotton.	$300 00

For Franklin Library Association.

Paid George W. Wiggin, treasurer.	$750 00

For State, County and Bank Taxes.

Paid Chas. H. Smith, county tax,	$1928 44
State Treasurer, State tax,	1740 00
National bank tax,	1383 20
	$5051 64

For Water Supply.

Paid Franklin Water Co., supply for hydrants.	$3637 50

For Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic.

Paid Edgar A. Blake,	$9 50
Wm. E. Crowninshield,	29 62
J. B. Fitzpatrick,	16 66
S. W. Nickerson,	550 00
Total.	$605 78

Miscellaneous Town Expenses.

Paid Allen Bros., stamp.	$4 05
W. E. Averill, awnings and repairs.	4 75
George Baker, painting safe.	15
E. L. Burdakin for assessors.	15 00
Anthony Connor, lockup fees.	10 25
John Costello, labor,	88
W. M. Comey, mowing cemetery.	7 00
R. H. Davison, care of town hall.	16 87
N. E. Darling, dinners at town hall.	9 50
James W. Desmond, ballot inspector.	3 00
Delancy O. Evans, fees.	7 72
George E. Emerson, overseer expenses,	7 90
J. M. Freeman, stamps, etc.,	29 00
" insurance,	60 00
McPherson & Farrington, return of deaths.	13 00
J. B, Fitzpatrick, return of deaths.	3 50
J. L. Fairbanks, pens,	75
J. C. Gallison, return of births.	23 00
Hosie Bros., stove for lockup.	5 00
Heaton Bros., coal.	1 75
Insurance on heating and ventilating apparatus,	27 00

F. H. Jenckes, return of births,	3 25
Charles Kingsley, return of births,	1 00
L. J. Kelley, police at polls,	2 50
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, wood,	1 00
G. A. Martin, return of births,	10 00
H. M. Meek, blanks,	3 54
S. W. Nickerson, fees,	10 95
A. W. Newell, fees and expenses,	13 30
W. L. Pierson, mowing cemetery,	12 00
H. E. Ruggles, copying records,	80 00
" indexing births, deaths, etc., and expenses,	80 65
Razee & Son, express,	2 59
J. G. Ray, rent of officers' rooms,	115 00
J. F. Ray, pencils,	1 50
Smith & Co., 7 chairs for town officers' room,	80 00
H. M. Stowers, ladder,	2 10
O. A. Stanley, repairs,	26 45
S. C. Taft, surveying streets,	52 00
Wiggin & Faunce, for insane persons, etc.,	30 00
Henry A. Whitney, fees,	7 35
E. Worthington, civil engineer,	20 00
Winkley, Dresser & Co., time book,	2 25
L. R. Whitaker, posting warrants, etc.,	17 12
	$824 62

Payments for New High School Building.

Paid Boston Terra Cotta Co.,	$105 00
J. W. Bailey & Sons, columns,	149 50
Brookfield Brick Co., brick,	1650 75
J. G. Cunningham, teaming,	6 35
Jeremiah Carew, caps, sills, etc.,	106 80
Carroll Bros., underpinning, etc.,	639 40
Jennie H. Everett, sand,	35 70
James M. Freeman, real estate,	7500 00
For labor,	6603 90

Franklin Iron Foundry, castings.	23 06
W. M. Fisher, freight on stock.	250 14
Fiske, Coleman & Co., brick.	872 00
George H. Grant, mill work.	18 65
J. B. Hamilton & Co., paper,	67 50
Hosie Bros., hardware.	153 53
Heaton Bros., 20 casks cement.	30 00
James Hood, sand and gravel,	91 80
Wm. D. Huntoon, nails, etc.,	9 51
George King, committee services.	15 89
George W. Macauley.	84 87
E. A. Mason, iron work,	125 00
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber.	2019 41
George M. McQuestion & Co., lumber.	38 46
Charles H. Morse, pump and tubing.	5 00
N. Y. & N. E. R. R., freight,	7 00
J. F. Ray, hardware.	173 83
Stetson & Co., lime.	68 00
G. W. & F. Smith Iron Co., beams.	244 53
John Stewart, carting brick, etc.,	165 31
Smead Warming and Ventilating Co.,	1950 00
Stetson, Cutler & Co., 200 casks lime.	160 00
I. L. Smith cement.	85 40
E. Trowbridge, 20 casks cement.	27 00
S. C. Taft, surveying.	4 50
E. N. Thain, tickets for architect.	20 00
——— Whyte, wire lathing.	18 08
Waldo Bros., colored mortar.	77 00
Albert M. West, plans,	462 50
S. S. Woodcock, plans.	350 00
Total,	$24,415 37

Almshouse in Account with Town.

Dr.

To personal property, appraised Jan. 31, 1891, $2065 20

Interest on cost of farm,	180 00	
Cash paid from Treasury during year,	2121 13	
		$4366 33

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By personal property, appraisd Jan. 30, 1892,	$2449 85	
Sale of produce from farm,	482 22	
		2932 07
Net cost at almshouse,		1434 26
Net cash expenses of outside poor,		3504 45
Total pauper expenses,		$4938 71

[There is due on pauper account, $357 32.]

Financial Condition of the Town.

Feb. 1, 1892. Assets.		
Due from taxes of 1890,	$671 71	
Less collection,	356 68	
		$315 03
Due from taxes of 1891,	$7136 24	
Less collection and abatement,	1000 00	
		6136 24
Commonweath of Mass.:		
Due on pauper acct.,		203 71
School Supt. acct.		250 00
Military aid,		285 00
State aid,		825 00
City of Boston, due on pauper acct.,		6 88
Town of Wrentham, "		10 00
John Dolan, due on acct. of son,		24 73
Other sources, on pauper acct.,		112 00
Abutters on Emmons St. improvements,		520 70
Balance in Treasury,		2045 19
Total,		10,734 48

LIABILITIES.

Note to K. D. lodge I. O. O. F., due July 1, 1892, 4 per cent,		$2000 00
Note to Franklin National Bank, due July 3, 1892, 5 per cent.,		10,000 00
High School Building loan:		
Note to J. M. Freeman, due Dec. 15, 1892, 5 per cent.,	$2200 00	
Note to J. M. Freeman, due Dec. 15, 1893, 5 per cent.,	2200 00	
Note to J. M. Freeman, due Dec. 15, 1894, 5 per cent.,	900 00	
Note to Thomas D. Blake, due Oct. 1, 1895, 4 1-2 per cent.,	1300 00	
Note to Thomas D. Blake, due Oct. 1, 1896, 4 1-2 per cent.,	2200 00	
Note to Thomas D. Blake, due Oct. 1, 1897, 4 1-2 per cent.,	2200 00	
Note to Thomas D. Blake, due Dec. 1, 1898, 4 1-2 per cent.,	2200 00	
Note to Thomas D. Blake, due Dec. 1, 1899, 4 1-2 per cent.,	2200 00	
Note to Thomas D. Blake, due Oct. 1, 1900, 4 1-2 per cent.,	2200 00	
Note to Thomas D. Blake, due Oct. 1, 1901, 4 1-2 per cent.,	2200 00	
		19,800 00
Total,		$31,800 00
Balance against the town,		21,065 52

Summary of Appropriations and Expenses.

For teachers' salaries, fuel and care of rooms:		
Appropriated,	$8750 00	
From balance in treasury.	1062 14	
Books and supplies, appropriated.	600 00	
From treasury.	22 29	
Repairs of school buildings, appropriated,	2500 00	
From treasury,	118 95	
Ventilating old high school building, appropriated,	2000 00	
Miscellaneous school expenses, appropriated.	500 00	
From treasury,	23 13	
Supt. of schools, appropriated.	500 00	
Income of State school fund.	134 56	
Tuition, books, etc.,	29 82	
From dog licenses,	542 80	
		16,783 69
Expended for teachers' salaries.	8606 40	
Care of rooms.	671 41	
Fuel,	937 28	
Books and supplies,	666 93	
Repairs.	2500 69	
Ventilating old high school building,	1896 80	
Miscellaneous school expenses.	457 11	
Superintendent of schools.	562 50	
		16,299 12
Unexpended,		$484 57

Roads, Bridges and Walks:		
Appropriated,	$7500 00	
From balance in treasury,	431 72	
Received for gravel,	85 00	
" concreting,	38 48	
		8055 20
Expended,		9105 56
Overdrawn,		$1050 36

NOTE.— There is $520.70 due for concreting on this account.

Support of Poor:		
Appropriated,	$3500 00	
From treasury balance,	1046 68	
Received from state, towns and almshouse,	1296 43	
		5843 11
Expended,		6439 79
Overdrawn,		$596 68

NOTE.—Due on this account, $357.32.

Fire Department:		
Appropriated,	$2300 00	
From the treasury,	15 53	
		$2315 53
Expended,		2070 66
Unexpended,		$234 87

Street Lights:		
Appropriated,	$3300 00	
From the treasury,	550 00	
		3850 00
Expended,		3570 23
Unexpended,		$279 77

Town officers:		
Appropriated,	$1500 00	
From the treasury,	199 98	
		1699 98
Expended,		1411, 72
Unexpended,		$288 26
Police and Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic:		
Appropriated,	$1,500 00	
From the treasury,	72 00	
		1572 00
Expended,		1276 79
Unexpended,		$295 21
Printing and Stationery:		
Appropriated,	$225 00	
From the treasury,	164 35	
		389 35
Expended,		352 95
Unexpended,		$36 40
Payments for Interest:		
Appropriated,		$800 00
Expended,		1090 01
Overdrawn,		$290 01
Abatement and Collection of Taxes:		
Appropriated,	$900 00	
From the treasury,	15 50	
		$915 50
Expended,		1611 29
Overdrawn,		695 79

Military and State Aid:		
Appropriated,	$800 00	
From the treasury,	132 00	
Received from the State,	1230 00	
		2162 00
Expended,		1516 00
Unexpended,		$646 00
Post 60, G. A. R.:		
Appropriated,		$100 00
Expended,		100 00
D. C. Cotton, for land on Depot St.:		
Appropriated,		$300 00
Expended,		300 00
Franklin Library Association:		
Appropriated,		$750 00
Expended,		750 00
Water Supply for Hydrants:		
Appropriated,		$3700 00
Expended,		3637 50
Unexpended,		$62 50
Miscellaneous Town Expenses:		
Appropriated,		$800 00
From balance in treasury,		161 74
		961 74
Expended,		824 62
Unexpended,		$137 12
New High School Building:		
Appropriated,		$30.000 00
Expended at close of fiscal year,		24,415 37
Unexpended,		$5584 63

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the various officers of the town, and find them correct according to the foregoing detailed statement.

NELSON E. NEWELL, Auditor.

Report of Public Library.

To the inhabitants of the town:

The library was removed to its new apartment in May, and this removal made it necessary to call in the books on that month instead of August as usual. Several hundred volumes of worn-out books of the lighter class of literature were thrown out and another class of more valuable books have been replaced by new volumes.

Certain conditions make it necessary to rearrange the books and issue a new catalogue. 1. We have several supplements that should be incorporated into the catalogue. 2. The numbers of old books rejected are still on the catalogue and should be stricken out. 3. Re-arrangement and re-marking the books will make the library more compact and increase shelf room. This improvement, including cost of new catalogue, can be accomplished for from one hundred and fifty to two hundred dollars.

The library has been regularly opened during the year. Number of different persons who have taken out books during the year, 549; number of books drawn, 9642.

The librarian has collected fines to the amount of $21.30; for catalogues and cards, $16.40; total, $37.70.

Number of volumes covered, 668; cost of covering, $13.36. Two volumes were not accounted for at the annual examination of the library in May.

The library has received by donations: Educational Reports, 2 vols.; Agricultural Statistics, 2 vols.; Consular Reports, 3 vols.; Report of State Board of Health; Report of Interstate Commerce Commissioners; Report of State Librarian; Report of Watertown Public Library; Report of Opening Library of University of Pennsylvania; Report of Boston Dental College; The Chocolate Plant; and Manual of General Court of Massachusetts. Expense of taking care of library, $799.96.

WM. M. THAYER, for the Directors.

Selectmen's Report.

The Selectmen present the following report:

After the Annual March meeting, the Selectmen met and elected George W. Wiggin chairman and Nelson E. Newell clerk. We have pursued the same general policy in repairs of roads as has been followed in previous years; and the following is a brief summary of the work done by the Surveyor of Highways, acting under our general direction.

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

	Length of Road Built.	Cubic Yards of Material Used.	Cost of Labor.
Emmons Street,	750 feet.	753	$409 62
High "	450 "	180	111 75
Nason "	500 "	200	161 75
Summer "	7300 "	2675	1249 72
Birch "	465 "	80	40 00
Peck "	637 "	85	49 91
King "	493 "	148	74 41
Main "	350 "	77	55 66
Pond "	834 "	130	41 50
School "	400 "	273	157 81
Central "	2731 "	930	622 10
Total,	14,910 feet.	5531	$2974 23

Dean Street.	$179 50
"	56 50
Wachusett Street.	141 05
Cottage "	10 75
Winter "	10 00
West "	30 25
Alpine "	77 70
Green "	23 00
Arlington "	72 00
	$600 75

The rest of the money has been expended on a road scraper and general repairs.

We have prepared the following estimate of the current expenses of the town for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1893, namely:

For support of schools.	$11,150 00	
Repairs of school houses,	600 00	
Miscellaneous school expenses,	500 00	
School books and school supplies,	750 00	
		$13,000 00
Superintendent of schools,		1,500 00
Repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks,		8,000 00
Support of poor,		4,500 00
Support of fire department,		2,000 00
Water supply,		4,050 00
Payment of town officers.		1,200 00
Payment of town debt.		2,200 00
Payment of interest,		1,850 00
Abatement and collection of taxes.		1,000 00
Street lights,		3,300 00
Printing and stationery,		350 00
Police and suppression of illegal liquor traffic,		1,500 00
State and military aid.		800 00
Support of library of Franklin Library Association.		700 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves.		100 00
Miscellaneous town expenses.		1,000 00
Total.		47,050 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. WIGGIN.
EDGAR K. RAY.
Selectmen.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting,

March 7, 1892.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin.

GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of the town of Franklin, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of March, A. D. 1892, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1.

To choose by ballot a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

ARTICLE 2.

To vote by ballot, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

ARTICLE 3.

To choose by ballot the following named town officers for the term of one year, viz.: Three Selectmen, a Town Treasurer, a Town Clerk, an Auditor, three Assessors of Taxes, three Overseers of the Poor; a Collector of Taxes; three Constables, three members of the Board of Health, and two School Committee for three years.

ARTICLE 4.

To choose all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 5.

To see in what way and manner the town will collect its taxes the current year.

ARTICLE 6.

To hear a report of the town officers and act thereon.

ARTICLE 7.

To see what action the town will take relative to a pound.

ARTICLE 8.

To vote a suitable number of names of persons into the jury box for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 9.

To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the current year.

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town for the current year.

ARTICLE 11.

To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks; for the support of schools, repairs of school buildings, school books and supplies, and miscellaneous school expenses; for the support of the poor; for the support of the fire department; for water supply; payment of town officers; payment of town debt and interest; abatement and collection of taxes; street lights; printing and stationery; suppression of illegal liquor traffic; payment of police; State and military aid; support of the library of the Franklin Library Association; decoration of soldiers' graves; and miscellaneous town expenses.

ARTICLE 12.

To see if the town will vote to require the School Committee to employ annually a Superintendent of Schools, or, with other town or towns form a district for the purpose of employing a Superintendent of Public Schools, and appropriate money therefor; or act or do anything therein.

ARTICLE 13.

To see if the town will appropriate any and what sums of money to construct concrete sidewalks in town, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 14.

To see if the town will appropriate any money to repair the fence around the Town Hall lot, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 15.

To see if the town will vote to heat the Almshouse by steam or other method than that now used; and act or do anything therewith and make an appropriation therefor.

ARTICLE 16.

To see if the town will vote to purchase the franchise, corporate property, and all rights and privileges, of the Franklin Water Company, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 182 of the Acts of 1883; or act or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 17.

To see what action the town will take toward putting incandescent lights on Washington Street as far as Miller's Hill, so called; or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 18.

To see if the town will accept the proposition of Dr. W. H. Baker to deposit with the town fifty dollars, to be held by

the town and invested, and the income appropriated to keeping the Abijah Baker lot in the cemetery in order in perpetuity; or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 19.

To see if the town will take any and what action in relation to extending the water supply to Unionville; or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 20.

To see if the town will take any and what action in relation to adopting a system of sewerage for the whole or any part of its territory; or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 21.

To see if the town will take any and what action in relation to improving its public parks.

The polls will be opened at eight o'clock A. M., and may be closed at twelve o'clock noon.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Franklin, this twenty-fourth day of February, A. D. 1892.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
EDGAR K. RAY,
Selectmen of Franklin.

Report of Town Clerk.

FRANKLIN, February, 1892.

I am pleased to report that the records of births, marriages and deaths of Franklin received favorable mention from the Department of Secretary of State on account of their completeness, fullness and accuracy.

Much of the credit is due to the promptness and accuracy of returns made by the physicians and undertakers, which I would acknowledge.

I have, under the direction of the Selectmen, prepared a Street Book, which is a compilation from the records of every action of the town since its incorporation, in relation to its highways, whether location, re-location or discontinuance. This I believe will be of great value not only for present but for future use.

I would recommend that the births, marriages and deaths be re-indexed, as the present indexes are inaccurate and incomplete.

The safe used by the town clerk is, in the opinion of those competent to judge, not fire-proof. As the records of the town, in case of loss, cannot be replaced, I would earnestly recommend the provision of a suitable fire-proof safe for the better security of the records.

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

Vital Statistics.

Births Registered in Franklin during 1891.

Date.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
Jan. 2	Herbert Melville Carter	Charles H. and Lillian J.
" 6	Flora Evelyn Markham	Charles B. and Bessie
" 14	Alfred Francis Tero	Maxim and Mary N.
" 20	John Alfred Mann	Samuel A. and Bridget M.
" 21	——— Hartshorn	Fred and Kate J.
" 22	Mabel Aldrich Hill	Charles W. and Hattie A.
" 22	Agnes Cora Woolford	William F. and Agnes
" 24	Walter Raymond Hood	John W. and Emma J.
" 28	Harold Dean Talbot	Henry A. and Sarah F.
" 20	William Vincent Fitzgerald	Cornelius and Mary J.
Feb. 2	——— Labarie	John and Mary
" 3	William Henry Buckley	Daniel, Jr., and Margaret A.
" 6	Annie Elizabeth Walsh	John P. and Mary E.
" 6	Timothy Joseph Murphy	Timothy H. and Hannah R.
" 9	Thomas Chester Rivers	Edward and Josephine
" 12	Annie Elizabeth Donahue	William and Mary E.
" 20	Katherine Josephine Miller	George W. and Mary E.
" 26	——— Swanson	Nelson and Josephine
March 9	Frank Edward Granger	Henry W. and Bridget
" 9	Hubbard Francis Barton	Francis T. and Ida H.
" 18	——— Parren	Charles F. and Sarah C.
" 18	Gertrude Emerson Knapp	James H. and Lucy J.
" 24	Lillian Mabel Soar	William and Margaret
" 25	Lulu Marjory Souther	Robert and Margaret
April 11	Charles Ewen	Charles and Mary
" 17	Elmer Clement Baro	Clemment and Emma
" 19	Lowell Roy Cleveland	William M. and Frances C.
" 23	Leicester Rodolph Sharon	John B. and Laura A.
" 27	Douglas McMurtrie	James and Abbie
May 8	Mary Ellen Murray	James and Rosa
" 8	Anna Gladdis Moore	George and Mary Ellen
" 9	James Orion Bouche	Augustus and Seline
" 11	Ann Elizabeth Laundre	Adam and Nora
" 14	Mary Dora Gagnon	William W. and and Antonio.
" 19	Joseph Albert Giancolo	Parquale and Philomena
" 26	Lavina Rivers	Louis and Julia
" 24	John William Richardson	Paul and Mary
June 6	Frederick Eugene Liprett	Edward and Flora E.
" 9	Joseph William Hood	John T. and Mary C.
" 12	Myrtle Childs	Solonois and Hattie E.
" 23	Gladys Alzada Wright	Walter S. and Luthera W.
" 24	Dorris Belle Corson	Harry S. and Minnie H.
" 26	Velmore Geoyell	Joseph and Mary
" 28	Bertha Allen Hemenway	Willard H. and Charlotte G

Date.	Name of Child.	Name of Parent.
" 29	Francis Michael Shield	Martin and Catherine M.
" 30	Stalley Grant Chilson	Austin B. and Carrie L
Jnly 2	Alice Jenette Wright	Levi and Phoebe
" 3	John O'Hara	Barnard and Rose
" 3	Stephen Henry Sullivan	Stephen H. and Mary A.
" 16	Hazel Louis Barrett	Sherman H. and Annie L.
" 26	Ralph Chester Sherman	E. Bertrand and Eva C.
" 30	Salina Evylin Newell	Reed C. and Hannah M.
Aug. 14	Vincent Leo Maroney	Stephen and Margaret
" 20	Edward Senciver	Louis and Amelia
" 20	Joseph Robert Burns	William and Nettie F.
" 24	Elsie Eva Danish	Henry W. and Freeda E.
" 26	Sarah Doherty	Phillip P. and Maggie E.
" 27	Louise Barton Clark	William C. and Mary E.
" 30	Michael Edward Kennedy	Patrick and Julia A.
" 31	Louis Henry Pariseau	Louis H. and Lizzie
" 31	Daniel Eugene Shea	John J. and Mary
Sept. 3	Maggie Jane McGrory	Cornelius and Mary
" 4	Michael Kearney	James E. and Lizzie V.
" 4	Timothy Kearney	James E. and Lizzie V.
" 5	Gladys Louise Guigon	Frank P. and Nellie A.
" 5	Julia Mary Coleman	George B. and Maria F.
" 6	——— Maintien	
" 8	Joseph Emerson Woodward	Charles E. and Clara A.
" 8	Lillian May Cross	Julius C. and Emma F.
" 11	Patrick McGroary	Cornelius and Bridget
" 13	Anna Estella Brown	John H. and Mary E.
" 19	Jennie Kendall Cook	James H. and Susan
" 21	John Edwin Coughlin	Dennis W. and Mary Jane
" 23	Eva Alice Young	Edgar A. and Rosa M.
" 26	Emeline Aldrich Steen	Robert J. and Emma A.
" 25	Florence Lyons Grant	George H. and Margaret
Oct. 5	Archibald Leo McKennon	James B. and Margaret G.
" 5	Mary Isabell Padley	Raymond L. and Mary I.
" 13	Edward Joseph Kane	Timothy E. and Mary J.
" 14	James Chester Snider	Wesley and Katie J.
" 22	Alexander Le Roy Haggart	Alexander M. and Martha J.
" 24	John Winn	George O. and Katie J.
" 31	Clarence Addison Mann	Alden T. and Elsie M.
Nov. 2	Santina Mary Cataldo	Fiore and Lucie Maria
" 4	Katherine Terressa Shaunessy	Michael A. and Kate
" 6	Mary Florence Goss	William H. and Ella F.
" 14	William O'Brien	Patrick H. and Ella E.
" 15	Gertrude Craig Chapman	Fred P. and Clara M.
" 15	Boyd Palmer Chapman	Fred P. and Clara M.
" 15	Adolph Joseph Laprad	Adolphus and Anna M.
" 17	Albert Nichols Peck	Albert E. and Katie F.
" 20	John James Donovan	James and Ellen
" 22	Mary Bathia Munro	William and Catherine

Date.	Name of Child.	Name of Parent.
Dec. 3	Earl Franklin Kendrick	Reuben F. and Ada I.
" 5	Irene Groshart Snider	Charles F. and Sarah C.
" 8	Alphonse Arthur LaRoche	Alphonse and Delvena
" 10	Doria Bedard	Trefle aad Amelia
" 14	——— Barrow	John
" 14	Lillie Dora Leard	Charles and Mary
" 17	Fredrick Joseph O'Donnell	John and Mary
" 17	Jennie Stalker Furguson	James and Mary S.
" 22	James Francis Sullivan	John J. and Anna E.
" 26	Florence E. Hutchinson	Robert and Emma F.

Deaths Recorded in Franklin during 1891.

Date.	Name of Person.	Cause of Death.	Age.		
			Y.	M.	D.
January 3	Michael Croston	Cirrhosis of Liver	47	3	—
" 3	Earl B. Nones	Atelectaris pulmonune	—	—	14
" 5	Keefe	Still-born	—	—	—
" 9	Shippee	Still-born	—	—	—
" 11	Electa Jillson	Old age	85	5	—
" 12	Reynold	Still-born	—	—	—
" 12	Henry D. Barrett	Pneumonia	39	—	—
" 15	Timothy Halloran	Heart failure	80	8	5
" 19	R. Elizabeth Mowry	Cholæmia	68	—	3
" 28	John Savage	Cerebral Hyperinia	81	1	9
February 2	Tillie E. Nason	Carcinoma	36	—	1
" 3	Daniel C. Cotton	Heart disease	59	8	1
" 17	Ivy E. Dodge	Consumption	18	6	—
" 18	William Nottage	Diabetes	41	—	—
" 21	Harriet B. Richardson	Old age	95	11	16
March 3	Julia A. Wormel	Heart disease	56	—	9
" 8	Oliver M. Gale	Old age	92	5	14
" 8	Edward N. C. Morgan	Septcamia	27	3	20
" 10	Juliet A. Niles	Consumption	43	7	17
" 14	Sarah N. Spaulding	Apoplexy	66	7	21
" 24	Mary Fisher	Congestive Apoplexy	85	10	18
" 26	Jane McGee	Bronchitis	69	4	10
April 2	Nancy Metcalf	Cerebral Apoplexy	96	—	7
" 3	Wells	Still-born	—	—	—
" 6	Lena Bode	Croup	1	9	1
" 7	Minne	Still-born	—	—	—
" 10	Annie Monro	Consumption	40	5	16
" 12	Emily Irene Griffin	Congestion of Lungs	2	9	29
" 23	Lydia A. Whiting	Diabetes	65	6	5
" 28	George	Still-born	—	—	—
May 3	Mary E. Cowell	Diptheria	3	11	7
" 17	Zeolide G. Whiting	Old age	86	6	21
" 17	Aden Fisher	Old age	91	1	10
" 20	John W. Jordan	Pneumonitis	36	10	14
" 29	David Adams Dorr	Diphtheria	10	2	11
June 2	Francis V. Mann	Phthisis	50	8	23
" 10	Amelia H. Taft	Consumption	29	5	17
" 15	Belle Ignazio	R. R. injuries	—	—	—
" 23	Bridget McLaughlin	Apoplexy	49	—	—
" 24	George Winslow Gallison	Neurasthenia	39	1	22
" 26	Lucy Moran	Rheumatic fever	58	1	8
July 9	John O'Hara	Convulsions	—	—	7
" 10	John Milles, Jr.	Phthisis	40	4	16
" 11	Wight	Still-born	—	—	—
" 17	Alexander Shiner	Consumption	63	5	20
" 17	Edward Cassidy	R. R. injuries	45	—	—
" 18	Emily McDonald	Mesenteric Tuberculosis	45	9	—
" 27	Oscar Pearson	Whooping Cough	1	8	6
" 29	Hartman	Still-born	—	—	—
" 31	George H. Greenwood	Heart Disease	71	3	18
August 11	Gladys A. Wright	Cholera Infantum	—	1	21
" 15	Miranda E. White	Old age	79	10	5
" 19	Wallace A. Pierson	Convulsions	3	7	25
" 19	Charles W. Hurd	Apoplexy	71	4	12
" 19	Frederick W. Palmer	Accidental injury	20	7	12
" 21	Arthur Lewis Williams	Cholera Infantum	—	4	15
" 23	Thomas W. Cleary	Phthisis	28	—	24
" 25	Jesse W. Smith	Meningitis	1	1	11
" 27	George H. Engwell	Meningitis	26	4	17
" 27	John S. Demeritt	Empyæmia	43	—	—
Sept. 12	Polly G. Woodward	Apoplexy Paralysis	68	3	24
" 12	Barton Ballou	Suicide by Hanging	78	—	—
" 17	Mart Minne	Meningitis	—	5	8
" 19	James Kenney	Eutentis	51	9	—
" 21	John Thomos Curran	Meningitis	2	—	—

Date.	Name of Person.	Cause of Death.	Age.		
			Y.	M.	D.
October 5	Louis Henry Parniso	Cholera Infantum	—	1	5
" 6	Timothy Hearney	Marasmus	—	1	2
" 8	Henry Quilter	Phthisis	21	5	6
" 12	Phinlisete Michand	Apoplexy	94	8	14
" 22	Reynold	Still-born	—	—	—
" 22	Mary E. Reynolds	Anæmia	24	2	17
" 29	Asa Austin Fletcher	Intestinal Obstruction	68	4	7
" 30	William Eustie Whiting	Cerebral Apoplexy	67	3	20
Nov. 3	Julia Butler	Consumption	24	—	—
" 3	James Hood	Pneumonitis	61	5	28
" 8	Chloe P. Dean	Consumption	83	9	—
" 22	Morrill	Premature birth	—	—	—
" 27	Bennett	Still-born	—	—	—
" 30	Susan M. Salley	Heart Disease	54	8	1
Dec. 15	Joseph Stacy	Phthisis	41	—	—
" 18	Jannette C. Blaisdell	Cerebral Congestion	62	—	26
" 27	Julia Connors	Pneumonitis	49	—	—
" 27	Albin R. Blake	Liver Disease	73	2	15

Marriages Recorded in Franklin during 1891.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE	BY WHOM MARRIED
Jan. 1	Enoch E. Waite	Franklin	24	W. R. Tompkins
	Mary Alice Follet	Wrentham	17	
" 4	Edward D. Lipesett	Franklin	24	John L. Crane
	Flora E. Wales	"	17	
" 8	Warren E. Bright	Franklin	49	F. W. Farr
	Agnes M. Trask	Milford	26	
" 15	Robert H. Pohler	Franklin	32	George E. Lovejoy
	Juliane S. Kruger	"	26	
" 26	Michael Jas. Coughlin	"	19	J. M. Mulcahy
	Julia Laurette Black	"	19	
Feb. 7	John T. Hood	"	25	J. M. Mulcahy
	Mary C. Bourbeau	"	22	
" 14	Jackson V. Thacher	"	57	George E. Lovejoy
	Ella J. Darling	"	29	
March 7	Charles E. Kemp	Brookline	30	R. H. Howard
	Florence Gawthorpe	Franklin	30	
" 28	Wm. A. Broughton	Thompson Conn	23	R. H. Howard
	Ida W. Darling	" "	20	
" 30	William H. Goss	Franklin	27	J. M. Mulcahy
	Nellie M. Collins	"	26	
" 30	George J. Gannpy	Bellingham	22	Thomas B. Louney
	Annie E. Smith	Franklin	23	
April 5	Frank P. Gagner	Milford	29	J. M. Mulcahy
	Lillie Laundry	Franklin	19	
" 5	John F. Murry	"	28	J. M. Mulcahy
	Mary L. Mehigal	"	26	
" 14	Edwin H. Howe	Enfield	32	George E. Lovejoy
	Annie A. Williams	Franklin	22	
" 18	Oliver Baznait	"	32	Clarence E. Griffin
	Georgianna Hero	"	18	
" 22	Michael A. Kelley	Boston	24	J. M. Mulcahy
	Annie L. Mulcahy	Franklin	24	

DATE.	NAMES	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	BY WHOM MARRIED
April 27	George H. Flanagan	Franklin	24	J. M. Mulcahy
	Elizabeth B. McGrath	"	23	
" 30	George S. Woodman	"	23	Daniel Round
	Winnie M. Pratt	Norfolk	22	
May 1	Geo. H. E. Mayshaw	Wrentham	20	George E. Lovejoy
	Mary I. Welsh	"	18	
" 3	Patrick H. O'Brien	Franklin	33	J. M. Mulcahy
	Ellen Sheridan	"	24	
" 5	Frederick C. Clark	"	31	R. K. Harlow
	Lilla M. Bean	"	22	
" 5	Albert J. Fortier	"	23	Geo. E. Lovejoy
	May Warren	"	20	
" 12	Fredrick W. Gratton	Natick	25	C. W. Blackett
	Emma J. Barrett	Franklin	24	
" 19	Hugh F. Smith	"	25	Thomas B. Louney
	Hannah Healey	Medway	23	
" 25	Othello S. Brown	Franklin	36	Dwight M. Hodge
	Maud A. Corson	"	21	
" 28	Hamilton J. Chapman	Franklin	27	J. T. Ellis
	Georgia M. Brainard	Gt. Barrington	21	
June 11	Herbert E. Sally	Frankli	27	S. W. Squire
	Dora F. Lovlace	"	20	
" 15	Daniel Cody	"	24	Martin J. Lee
	Margaret Lennon	"	24	
" 17	David A. Coutlill	"	27	Dwight M. Hodge
	Hellen C. Robinson	"	21	
" 24	Elbridge M. Lewis	"	26	Robert G Harbuth
	Hattie E. Cunningham	Swansville, Me.	23	
" 24	Thomas F. Milan	Milford	27	Martin J. Lee
	Catherine J. Sullivan	Franklin	24	
" 24	Stephen B. Crandall	Taunton	24	Martin J. Lee
	Maggie Shugrue	Franklin	24	

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	BY WHOM MARRIED
June 24	Ambrose J. Gallison	Franklin	35	George E. Lovejoy
	Mary E. Thayer	"	29	
" 27	Wm. Aaron Canney	"	25	John Whitehill
	Sarah Stacy Hunt	"	22	
" 27	George E. Johnson	"	27	Horace Wellington
	Sylvia Brassaue	"	19	
" 28	John J. Sullivan	"	27	Martin J. Lee
	Annie E. Gordon	"	21	
" 29	David H. Campbell	"	25	Edward Mills
	Ella J. Daniels	"	41	
July 14	William H. Bruce	Somerville	27	John Hood
	Sarah J. Torrey	Franklin	24	
" 22	Lemuel Arthur Finley	"	22	Edward Mills
	Josephine F. Darling	"	19	
" 22	William Thomas	"	43	R. L. Green
	Sarah Ann Dunlap	Lincoln, R. I.	45	
August 4	Jeremiah F. McCarthy	Franklin	50	Henry E. Ruggles
	Mary Burke	Waltham	40	
" 19	Joseph Hearn	Foxboro	38	Dwight M. Hodge
	Emma Flor. Kempton	"	24	
" 22	Martin L. Thayer	Chelsea	24	Edward Mills
	Cora E. Chapman	Brooklyn, Conn	21	
Sept. 2	Herbert F. Monroe	Franklin	20	R. H. Howard
	Elizabeth M. Stewart	"	19	
" 2	Michael F. McCarthy	"	41	Francis Gouesse
	Winifred F. O'Brien	Walpole	29	
" 2	Daniel E. Morris	Franklin	21	Martin J. Lee
	Mary Kelley	"	21	
" 5	Charles F. Darling	"	23	Edward Mills
	Francis E. Fowler	Norfolk	22	
" 8	Everett G. Crosman	Medway	24	R. K. Harlow
	Mary Richardson	Franklin	24	

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	BY WHOM MARRIED
Sept. 9	Michael W. Byrnes	Franklin	28	Thomas F. Butler
	Nellie F. Nevell	Ellsworth, Me.	22	
" 15	FayetteHarrisChurch	Franklin	28	A. H. Dodge
	Rosa M. Abbott	Clinton, Me.	25	
" 21	Geo. Rob. McDougall	Franklin	23	E. P. King
	Lizzie Smith Bassett	"	25	
" 30	Ernest E. Daniels	"	22	William M. Thayer
	Mary Gurney	"	20	
Oct. 8	Louis R. Phillips	Hopedale	23	William Carr
	Marion G. Gurney	Franklin	26	
" 8	Everett F. Arnold	"	28	Dwight M. Hodge
	Alice M. Corbin	"	20	
" 14	John T. Cauldwell	"	28	Edward Mills
	Harriet A. Stewart	"	27	
" 14	Walter A. Hawkins	"	22	Dwight M. Hodge
	Annie L. Gallison	"	19	
" 19	John L Ellis	Worcester	30	I. J. Lansing
	Mary Dunning	Franklin	21	
" 21	George E. Stewart	"	28	Edward Mills
	Isabell Thomas	"	19	
" 21	Nelson A. Mackintosh	"	27	Edward Mills
	Kath. Jane Thomas	"	17	
Nov. 20	Harford Barton	"	29	Edward Mills
	Martha Brown	"	20	
" 26	Frank Clark	"	23	Martin J. Lee.
	Annie Donahue	"	26	
Dec. 14	Charles H. Corbin	"	35	Edward Mills
	Mary B. McMasters	"	23	
" 27	James Byron	"	26	Martin J. Lee
	Bridget Delaney	"	21	
" 28	Delphis Laundry	"	17	Martin J. Lee
	Olivine M Laundry	"	16	
" 28	John Herron	"	23	Martin J. Lee
	Annie Cove	"	24	

FRANKLIN TOWN RECORDS,

FOR THE YEAR 1891.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

March 2, 1891.

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,

Greeting:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of the town of Franklin to assemble in their town hall on Monday, the second day of March, A. D. 1891, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose by ballot a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Art. 2. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Art. 3. To choose by ballot the following-named town officers for the term of one year, viz: Three Selectmen, a Town Treasurer, a Town Clerk, an Auditor, three Assessors of Taxes, three Overseers of the Poor, a Collector of Taxes, three Constables, three members of the Board of Health, and two School Committee for three years.

Art. 4. To choose all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 5. To see in what way and manner the town will collect its taxes for the current year.

Art. 6. To hear a report of the town officers and act thereon.

Art. 7. To see what action the town will take relative to a pound.

Art. 8. To vote a suitable number of names of persons into the jury box for the year ensuing.

Art. 9. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the current year.

Art. 10. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to suppress

the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town for the current year.

ART. 11. To see if the town will grant the use of the town hall to the Sons of Temperance for the current year.

ART. 12. To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks; for the support of schools, repairs of school buildings, school books and supplies and miscellaneous school expenses; for the support of the poor; for the support of the fire department; for water supply; payment of town officers; payment of interest; abatement and collection of taxes; street lights; printing and stationery; suppression of illegal liquor traffic; payment of police; state and military aid; support of the library of the Franklin Library Association; decoration of soldiers' graves; and miscellaneous town expenses.

ART. 13. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the employment of a Superintendent of Schools, and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 14. To hear the report of the committee appointed at the last annual town meeting under Article 21 of the warrant calling said meeting, and act or do anything relating thereto.

ART. 15. To see if the town will accept the laying out of a townway from Union street to West street, over what is known as Nason street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

ART. 16. To see if the town will accept the laying out of a townway rom Dean street to Pleasant street, near the Williams gravel pit, as reported by the Selectmen.

ART. 17. To see if the town will accept the laying out of a townway from Cottage street westerly over what is known as Cottage street extension, as reported by the Selectmen.

ART. 18. To see if the town will accept the laying out of a townway from Union street to Wachusett street, as reported by the Selectmen.

ART. 19. To see if the town will accept the laying out of a townway northerly from Arlington street to the way mentioned in Article 18, as reported by the Selectmen.

ART. 20. To see if the town will accept the laying out of a townway from the westerly end of Cottage street extension to Washington street, as reported by the Selectmen.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any money for the building of any of the aforesaid ways, or do anything relating thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will appropriate any, and what sums of money, to construct concrete sidewalks in town, or do anything relating thereto.

ART. 23. To see if the town will appropriate any money to repair the fence around the town hall lot, or do anything relating thereto.

ART. 24. To see if the town will accept the widening of Depot street, as reported by the Selectmen, and appropriate money therefor.

The polls will be open at eight o'clock A. M. and may be closed at twelve o'clock at noon.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Franklin this nineteenth day of February, 1891.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
CHARLES STEWART,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, SS. FEBRUARY 21, A. D. 1891.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described to assemble in their Town Hall on Monday, the second day of March, A. D. 1891, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Sec. 2 of Article 1 of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of the Town of Franklin.

A true copy of warrant and officer's return thereon.

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

MARCH 2, 1891.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the legal voters of the town of Franklin met in their Town Hall on the second day of March, A. D. 1891, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, and proceeded as follows:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and the officer's return thereon. Prayer was then offered by Rev. Edward Mills.

MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 1. The meeting then made choice by ballot, the check list being used, of William F. Ray for Moderator, and he was duly sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 2. Voted, that Articles 2 and 3 be acted upon at the same time.

Voted, that a committee of fifteen be chosen to consider all the Articles of the warrant not acted upon at the adjournment.

The meeting made choice of the following-named gentlemen as that committee: Samuel Y. Reed, George W. Wiggin, Aaron H. Morse, Hubbard M. Bullock, Edgar K. Ray, John B. Dunn, John A. Waterman, Thomas G. Thain, George P. Hutchinson, Lawrence J. Kelley, Joseph G. Ray, Charles Stewart, Lemuel W. Milliken, Jesse B. Hopkins, Henry R. Jenks.

Voted, that when we adjourn we adjourn to Saturday, March 14, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Voted, that at close of polls, counting and announcement of the result, the adjournment be made to hour named in previous vote.

James W. Desmond and Bradley M. Rockwood having been duly appointed Ballot Clerks by the Selectmen, they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The Moderator appointed as assistant Ballot Clerks Clarence E. Griffin and Christopher E. Russell, and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk.

In accordance with the law, the Town Clerk had caused to be set up twelve booths for the use of the voters in marking their ballots, and had erected a guard rail six feet or more from said booths.

The Town Clerk delivered to the Ballot Clerks a duplicate check-list and a package containing the official ballots to be used, cards of instruction and specimen ballots, and received from them the following receipt, viz:

FRANKLIN, March 2, 1891.

Received of Henry E. Ruggles, Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., a package said to contain twelve hundred (1200) official ballots, together with specimen ballots and cards of instruction.

JAMES W. DESMOND,
BRADLEY M. ROCKWOOD, } Ballot Clerks.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted within the polling-booths and outside the guard-rail, according to law. The ballot box to be used at the election was then opened in the public meeting and shown to the public to be empty, and was examined by the Moderator and Town Clerk and found to be empty.

The register of said ballot box was then set at 000; said ballot box was then locked and the key thereof given to police officer L. J. Kelley.

Voting commenced at 8.45 o'clock A. M.

The Moderator appointed as tellers to assist in counting the ballots: Herbert W. Thayer, Jeremiah J. McCarthy, Charles Stewart, Wilton A. Pond, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The ballot box and check-list were in charge of the Modator and Town Clerk, who had charge of the election.

In voting the check-list was used, and no person was allowed to deposit his vote until his name was found on the check-list and checked.

Due notice having been given, the polls were at 3 o'clock in the afternoon declared closed. At the close of the polls the register stood at 655.

The names of those on the check-list which had been checked were then audibly counted and found to be 651.

The Moderator, Town Clerk and tellers then proceeded to canvass the votes given in.

The whole nnmber was six hundred and fifty-one (651), which were counted, recorded and declaration thereof made in open town meeting, as follows, viz:

For Selectmen:

Matthew F. Conroy had two hundred and forty-three votes—243.

James Hood had three hundred and fifty-five votes—355.

Henry R. Jenks had fifty-eight votes—58.

Edgar K. Ray had three hundred and twenty-one votes—321.

Charles Stewart had two hundred and ninety-five votes—295.

John A. Waterman had two hundred and fifty-seven votes—257.

George W. Wiggin had three hundred and two votes—302.

James Hood, Edgar K. Ray and George W. Wiggin were declared elected.

Town Clerk:

Henry R. Jenks had two hundred and ninety-four votes—294.

Henry E. Ruggles had three hundred and fourteen votes—314.

Henry E. Ruggles was declared elected and was sworn by the Moderator.

Assessors:

Thomas A. Byrnes had one hundred and eighty-nine votes—189.

Asa A. Fletcher had two hundred and eighty-seven votes—287.

Albert H. Hill had sixty-one votes—61.

Sabin Hubbard had one hundred and forty-six votes—146.

Lawrence J. Kelley had one hundred and seventy-two votes—172.

William E. Nason had three hundred and twenty votes—320.

Eugene N. Thain had two hundred and eighty-six votes—286.

Joseph M. Whiting had thirty-six votes—36.

Amos P. Woodward had two hundred and seventy-eight votes—278.

Asa A. Fletcher, William E. Nason and Eugene N. Thain were declared elected.

Treasurer:

Henry R. Jenks had four hundred and ninety-one votes—491.

And was declared elected.

Overseers of Poor:

Cyrus M. Allen had four hundred and seventy-eight votes —478.

Warren H. Bright had four hundred and thirty-three votes—433.

George E. Emerson had five hundred and twenty-seven votes—527.

Albert F. Staples had two hundred and forty-five votes—245.

Cyrus M. Allen, Warren H. Bright and George E. Emerson were declared elected.

Auditor:

James W. Desmond had two hundred and fifty votes—250.

Nelson E. Newell had three hundred and twenty-seven votes—327.

Nelson E. Newell was declared elected.

Collector:

Sabin Hubbard had two hundred and sixty-three votes—263.

William Rockwood had three hundred and twenty-one votes—321.

William Rockwood was declared elected.

School Committee—For two School Committee for three years:

J. Cushing Gallison had five hundred and fifteen votes—515.

Mary A. Howard had four hundred and ten votes—410.

And they were declared elected.

Board of Health:

Walter M. Fisher had four hundred and fifty-eight votes—458.

George King had three hundred and sixty-five votes—365.

Gregory A. Martin had three hundred and fifty-one votes 351.

William E. Nason had four hundred and forty-three votes —443.

Walter M. Fisher, William E. Nason and George King were declared elected.

Constables:

William E. Nason had five hundred and sixteen votes—516.

Silas W. Nickerson had three hundred and forty votes—340.

Lewis R. Whitaker had five hundred and twelve votes—512.

William H. Williams had two hundred and forty-six votes—246.

William E. Nason, Silas W. Nickerson and Lewis R. Whitaker were declared elected.

On the question, Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town:

The whole number of votes was five hundred and seventy-six.

"Yes," two hundred and thirty-five—235.

"No," three hundred and forty-one—341.

The votes cast and the check-list used by the election officers were then sealed up in different bags, endorsed by the Moderator, Town Clerk and Tellers, and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk, in accordance with the law in such case made and provided.

Voted, at 9.45 o'clock P. M., to adjourn.

A true record.

Attest: HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,

March 14, 1891.

COMMONWEATH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin.

Greeting:

You are hereby required. in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said town to assemble in their town hall on Saturday, the fourteenth day of March current, at half-past one o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Art. 2. To hear a report of the committee appointed at an adjourned town meeting, held March 15, 1890, to take into consideration the subject matter of Article 15 of the warrant calling said meeting, and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to purchase a lot and build a school-house thereon, and make appropriations and borrow the money necessary therefor.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands this sixth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
EDGAR K. RAY,
JAMES HOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin.

Norfolk, ss. March 7th, A. D. 1891.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described to assemble in their town hall on Saturday, the fourteenth day of March, 1891, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Sec. 2 of Article 1 of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of Franklin.

A true copy of warrant and officer's return thereon.

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,

MARCH 14, 1891.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the legal voters of the Town of Franklin met at their town hall and proceeded as follows, viz:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant.

MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 1. William F. Ray was chosen Moderator of the meeting by ballot, the check-list being used, and was duly sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, that the meeting adjourn until the close of the adjourned annual town meeting, and to the same place at which said adjourned meeting may be held.

A true record.

Attest: HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

Meeting called to order at two o'clock in the afternoon by the Moderator, William F. Ray.

ARTICLE 4. The meeting then proceeded to make choice of the following officers not already chosen:

FENCE VIEWERS.

Warren H. Bright, Robert A. Stewart, Albert H. Hill.

FIELD DRIVERS.

Fred P. Chapman, Austin B. Chilson, Walter C. Sherman.

POUND-KEEPER.

Cyrus M. Allen.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.

Voted, that the report of committee be read and acted upon at the time the article to which it refers is before the meeting.

Report of committee on file.

COLLECTION OF TAXES.

ART. 5. Report and recommendation of committee "That the compensation of the Tax Collector be one per cent. on the amount collected, and that the Collector have the same power and authority that the Treasurer has when appointed Collector."

Voted, that the report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICERS.

ART. 6. Report and recommendation of committee "That the report of the town officers as printed in the Aunual Report be accepted.

Voted, that report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

POUND.

ART. 7. Report and recommendation of Committee "That the yard at the almshouse be the pound for the current year.

Voted, that the yard at the almshouse be the pound for the current year.

JURY LIST.

ART. 8. Report and recommendation of committee "That the list of names reported by the Selectmen be placed in the jury box for the current year.

Voted, that report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

The following is the list of names to be placed in the jury box for the current year.

Allen, Cyrus M.
Arnold, Nathan B.
Abbott, Sylvester S.
Adams, James F.
Barrett, Sherman H.
Bourne, Samuel C.
Bullock, Hubbard M.
Burr, John M.
Byrnes, Thomas A.
Frost, Samuel H.
Gatchell, George H.
Greenwood, Alonzo S.
Guild, Joseph G.
Hancock, John
Hosie, George S.
Hill, Albert M.
Hubbard, Sabin
Hutchinson, Joseph T.

Bright, Warren H.
Butman, Charles M.
Capron, Sanford T.
Chapman, Elisha P.
Clark, Alfred
Clark, William S.
Cleary, Michael
Corbin, Daniel O.
Crowninshield, Walter E.
Crowninshield, William E.
Daniels, Thomas J.
Desmond, James W.
Dodge, Alanson H.
Dorr, George B.
Daniels, Lucius W.
Darling, Mayo C.
Davidson, Robert H.
Fales, Charles L.
Fisher, Walter M.
Fisher, Eugene G.
Fitzpatrick, Jerome B.
Spence, Thomas.
Stevens, Roswell K.
Shaw, James H.
Stewart, Robert A.
Stockbridge, Columbus A.
Jenks, Henry R.
Johnson, Charles E.
King, William F.
Mann, Alden T.
McCarthy, Michael
Lazell, Cabel G.
Lesure, John F.
Metcalf, Alfred G.
Metcalf, Erastus L.
Nye, Nathan C.
Nason, William E.
Newell, Nelson E.
Pond, Wilton A.
Partridge, George I.
Perkins, George S.
Reilly, James O.
Richardson, Fremont M.
Rockwood, Edmund J.
Rockwood, William.
Reed, Samuel Y.
Rockwood, John
Turner, Thaddeus M.
Thane, Eugene N.
Trentham, William I.
Woodward, Amos P.
White, Richard S.

BORROWING MONEY.

ART. 9. Report and recommendation of committee, "That the Treasurer, under the direction of the selectmen, be authorized to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the current year, and payable therefrom.

Voted, that report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

SUPPRESSION OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

ART. 10. Report and recommendation of committe "That the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in town be left with the selectmen.

Voted, that the report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

USE OF TOWN HALL.

ART. 11. Report and recommendation of committee "That tho use of the Town Hall be granted to the Sons of Temperance, if required, subject to the direction of the selectmen.

Voted, that the report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

Voted, to take up Article 13.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

ART. 13. Report and recommendation of committee "That the town do not employ a Superintendent of Schools.

On motion that report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted, it was decided in the negative, the vote standing 23 yea, 126 nay.

Voted, that the town accept the provisions of chapter 431 of the acts of 1888, and unite with the town of Walpole for the purpose of the employment of a Superintendent of Schools, in accordance with provisions of said chapter.

Voted, that the town raise by taxation the sum of five hundred ($500) dollars, and appropriate the same for the payment of the salary of said Superintendent of Schools.

APPROPRIATIONS.

ART. 12. Voted, that the sum of seven thousond ($7000) dollars be appropriated out of uncollected taxes and unappropriated funds in the treasury, for the repair of roads, bridges and sidewalks, for the current year; and that the same be expended at the discretion of the selectmen.

The following sums of money were raised and appropriated for the following-named purposes for the current year, either by accepting and adopting the report and recommendations of the committee, or amending the same, viz: for the

Support of Schools, eight thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars,	$8750 00
Repairs of School Houses, two thousand five hundred,	2500 00
Miscellaneous School Expenses, five hundred dollars,	500 00

School Books and Supplies, six hundred dollars,	600 00
Support of Poor, three thousand five hundred dollars,	3500
Support of Fire Department, two thousand three hundred dollars,	2300
Water Supply, three thousand seven hundred dollars,	3700
Payment of Town Officers, one thousand five hundred dollars,	1500
Payment of Interest, eight hundred dollars,	800
Abatement and Collection of Taxes, nine hundred dollars,	900
Street Lights, three thousand three hundred dollars,	3300
Printing and Stationery, two hundred and twenty-five dollars,	225
Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic, and Police, one thousand five hundred dollars,	1500
State aud Military Aid, eight hundred dollars,	800
Support of the Library of the Franklin Library Association, seven hundred and fifty dollars,	750
Decoration of Soldiers' Graves, and Memorial Day, one hundred dollars,	100
Miscellaneous Town Expenses, eight hundred dollars,	800

Voted, that the sum of two thousand ($2000) dollars be appropriated to meet the requirements of State Inspector of Police on High School Building. Vote stood: yea, 53; nay, 52.

Voted, that Post 60, G. A. R., be allowed to apply any unexpended balance remaining from amount appropriated for decoration of soldiers' graves and Memorial Day to their Relief Fund.

Art. 14. Report and recommendation of committee that no action be taken.

Voted, that report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

NASON STREET.

Art. 15. Voted, that the town accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen laying out a townway from Union street to

West street, over what is known as Nason street. Report on file; see Vol. 7, Street book, page 166.

DEAN STREET.

ART. 16. Voted, that the town accept and adopt the report of Selectmen laying ont a town way from Dean street to Pleasant street, provided that the same be not open to travel for three years. Report on file; see Vol. 7, Street book, page 167.

COTTAGE STREET.

ART. 17. Voted, that the town accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen laying out a town way from Cottage street westerly over what is known as Cottage street extension, to be known as Cottage street. Report on file; see Vol. 7; Street book, page 169.

HUTCHINSON STREET.

ART. 18. Voted, that the town accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen laying out a town way from Union street to Wachusett street, to be known as Hutchinson street. Report on file; see Vol. 7, Street book, page 170.

HOWARD STREET.

ART. 19. Voted, that the town accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen laying out a town way northerly from Arlington street to aforesaid Hutchinson street, to be known as Howard street. Report on file; see Vol. 7, Street book, page 171.

WORSTED STREET.

ART. 20. Voted, that the town accept and adopt the laying out of a town way from the westerly end of aforesaid Cottage street to Washington street, to be known as Worsted street. Report on file; see Vol. 7, Street book, page 172.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR SAID WAYS.

ART. 21. Report and recommendation of committee: That the town make no appropriation for the building of said ways.

Voted, that the report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

CONCRETE SIDEWALKS.

ART. 22. Report and recommendation of committee: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for concreting sidewalks; provided the abuttors, where such concrete is laid, pay one-half of the expense of laying it.

Voted, that report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

TOWN HALL FENCE.

ART. 23. Report and recommendation of committee: That no action be taken under this article.

Voted, that report and recommendation of committee be accepted and adopted.

DEPOT STREET.

ART. 24. Report and recommendation of committee: That the town accept the widening of Depot street as reported by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars therefor.

Voted, that report of committee be accepted and the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated to pay the damages to land of heirs of Daniel C. Cotton. See Vol. 7, Street book, page 175.

Voted, at 5 o'clock 15 minutes P. M., to adjourn.

A true copy of record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Cleak.

ADJOURNED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

MARCH 14, 1891.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, William F. Ray, at 5 o'clock 15 minutes in the afternoon.

Voted, to adjourn to Saturday, March 21st, at 2 o'clock P. M.

A true copy of record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES.
Town Clerk.

ADJOURNED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

MARCH 21, 1891.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, William F. Ray, at 2 o'clock 15 minutes P. M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN:

Under Article fifteen (15) of the warrant for the annual town meeting of 1890, "to see what action the town will take to supply needed accommodations for the high school, either by building a new schoolhouse or otherwise, or act or do anything in relation thereto," three motions were made and carried: First, "that it is the sense of this meeting that we build a new high school building;" second, "that the moderator appoint a committee of fifteen (15), of which the School Committee be six (6), to take into consideration the subject matter of this Article and report at some future meeting;" third, "that this committee select a site for a new high school building." In accordance with the second vote, a committee of nine (9) were appointed in addition to the number of the School Committee. Mrs. Farnum, of the School Committee, declined to serve, and Mrs. Wiggin and Miss Ray, the other lady members of the committee, have taken no part in our work. The remaining twelve (12) members of the committee, however, have given of their time, thought and attention to this matter in a greater or less degree, and would respectfully report as follows:

The fact of needed and extended accommodations for the high school, and also either directly or by inference for other schools of the town, having been distinctly and repeatedly brought to its attention by the School Board, the town having emphatically expressed itself as being of the opinion that such accommodations were needed, your committee accepted the town at its word, as expressed by its vote, and at once consulted as to what building arrangements would best meet the needs of the town's growth and most wisely benefit the largest number of scholars. While our present high school room is sunny and pleasant, it is evident to any one who has given the matter intelligent thought that in these quarters it is not possible to teach the branches required, conveniently or thoroughly, much less to broaden the courses of study, that they may better correspond to the wishes of parents or judgment of School Committee. With high school quarters in accordance with the population and prosperity of our town there would be, without question, an attendance of one-third (1-3) more scholars, who, under a continuance of present conditions, will seek education elsewhere at private expense or leave school life entirely. Besides the high school with its fifty (50) scholars, we have in town nineteen (19) schools more or less comfortably provided for by eighteen (18) school-rooms. One

school holds its sessions, or tries to hold them, as the health of the teacher and a sufficient number of scholars permit, in this room. Six (6) of the schools are village or "district" schools, and, attended by the pupils in their immediate locality, are provided for in separate buildings. In the centre of the town we find six (6) primary schools well filled —three intermediate grade schools, with an average membership of fifty-seven (57); two (2) sub-grammar schools, with a membership of nearly sixty (60) each, and two (2) grammar schools of fair size. The loss of attendance upon our high grammar grade is probably one-fifth (1-5) on account of inadequate care of a part of the scholars. Beyond the need, then, of affording rooms better adapted for our high school, it is only an act of justice to the scholars and teachers of our intermediate and grammar grades to provide at least two (2) additional schoolrooms. To wisely arrange for these crowded schools, and also to give the best possible help to the high grammar scholars, very many of whom graduate from this grade to the workshop, the factory or the farm, your committee arrived at the conclusion that a building ought to be erected to provide not only for the high school, but also for two (2) high grammar schools.

With this opinion arrived at, two (2) problems were before the committee for solution; first, what is the most convenient and available site; second, what the most economical and suitable building to recommend. In regard to the site the committee would say that several different locations were visited and considered, the size, surroundings and convenience of each having our careful attention.

Finally the committee decided unanimously by vote as its selection for a site the James M. Freeman lot at the corner of Central and Emmons streets. Mr. Freeman has named to the committee as his price for the real estate entire, including the dwelling on Emmons street and his residence on Central street, the sum of seven thousand and five hundred dollars ($7,500). The lot as surveyed is of the following dimensions: 230.7 (two hundred and thirty and seven-tenths) feet on Central street; three hundred and one (301) feet on Emmons street; about thirty (30) feet front at the junction of Central and Emmons streets, and with two (2) rear lines measuring two hundred and nineteen and five-tenths (219.5) and forty-five and one-tenth (45.1) feet. The contents are ———— feet.

Your committee are of the opinion that by a sale of the north-east corner of the lot, taking not more than seventy (70) feet front on Emmons street, with the dwelling house thereon, the lot would still be ample for needed purposes, the frontage on Central street still being two hundred and thirty and seven-tenths (230.7) feet, and on Emmons street two hundred and thirty-one (231) feet. For the north-east corner and house two thousand dollars ($2,000) has been offered, and

for the residence of Mr. Freeman for removal, five hundred dollars ($500). This would leave the site at a net cost of five thousand dollars ($5,000) to the town.

In regard to the school-house your committee would report that they have visited many school buildings, examined various plans and consulted with architects and builders. Thinking that economical use might be made of the plans and designs prepared for the town for high school building purposes by Mr. Woodcock, under direction of a former committee, we conferred with him as to their details and asked him to combine the ideas suggested to him by the committee in a building suited for the site. The plan furnished by Mr. Woodcock, while that of a commodious and handsome building, was felt by your committee to be more expensive than was advisable to report to you, and so we were forced to lay it aside, especially as Mr. Woodcock did not seem inclined to change it to more nearly meet the price views of the committee. For his work Mr. Woodcock expects some remuneration. The building which we recommended is from the plans and specifications of Albert M. West, of Boston. Mr. West, while adhering in the main to his original sketch, has, as result of several interviews, embodied therein various suggestions of different members of the committee. These changes or additions seem to make the building, in our opinion, more convenient and attractive. In accepting these plans and specifications your committee have been governed by a purpose not to sacrifice the light and convenience of the school-rooms or the comfort and health of the pupils to external decoration or architectural extravagance. We have in our recommendation to the town offered a plain though by no means an unsightly building, with excellent internal arrangement and good light, heat and ventilation. It is a frame building, filled with brick (similar in construction to the Morse blocks and A.B. Fletcher building), two and one-half (2 1–2) stories above the basement; the under-pinning is of granite (Quincy or Milford), and the trimming of brown meadow stone; the gables and roof are to be shingled. The elevation of the building is thirty-two (32) feet. The dimensions of main building are: length, fifty-eight (58) feet; width, sixty-two feet eight inches (62 ft. 8 in.); there is an extension on the front four feet five inches (4 ft. 5 in.) x thirty-four (34) feet, making actual length of building sixty-two feet five inches (62 ft. 5 in.); the entrances are in a tower-shaped extension from each side of the building and are protected by piazzas. The internal arrangements are such as to provide in the basement separate rooms for boys and girls, reached by separate stairways; the basement also contains unconnected sanitary arrangements; heating apparatus; ventilating apparatus; coal-bins, etc.

Upon the first floor of the building are two (2) grammar school-rooms twenty-nine and one-half (29 1-2) feet x thirty-four (34) feet,

having a double partition between them; the entrance to one is from Central and to the other from Emmons street; each entrance leads into an entryway sixteen (16) x seven (7), out of which are doors to separate and convenient wardrobes for boys and girls. The seats are so placed in these school-rooms as to bring in good light from the left and rear, as is also the case in the high school room. There is also provided on first floor a school committee or teachers' room, with closets for school supplies; this room is tweuty-one (21) feet x twenty feet six inches (20 ft. 6 in.), and is reached from a porch upon the right of the front of the building.

Upon the second floor is located the high school room, the dimensions of which are thirty-seven (37) feet x forty-seven (47) feet, and connecting with this two (2) large and pleasant recitation rooms on the front and one (1) smaller recitation room, with library or reference room on Emmons street side of the building. The girls' entrance is from Emmons street side and the boys' from Central street side. As upon the lower floor, the entryways are good and the wardrobes commodious. From the second floor stairways on each side lead to the attic, a portion of which, facing the west, is to be finished into a room for use as a chemical or physical laboratory. The whole building is to be heated and ventilated by the Smead system, the plans for which are acceptable to the State Board of Inspection. The architect's plans and specifications require a building substantially built and well finished; we would, while not going further into details, incorporate them as a part of this report.

Your committee has conferred with builders and masons as to the expense, and would report that the estimated cost is from fifteen thousand ($15,000) dollars to twenty thousand ($20,000) dollars.

In considering the method of payment your committee have desired to suggest such a plan as would appeal favorably to your judgment as being just and equable. We would recommend the raising of the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25,000) dollars, three thousand (3,000) of which to be appropriated directly, the balance to be obtained by borrowing twenty-two thousand ($22,000) dollars upon the notes of the town, signed by the proper officers, and so made as to have a principal sum of two thousand two hundred ($2,200) dollars fall due annually, the interest to be paid annually.

To summarize as priefly as possible, your committee recommend:

1st. That the Board of Selectmen be authorized and instructed to purchase the James M. Freeman real estate, already described, as a site for a new school-house, at a cost not to exceed seven thousand five hundred ($7,500) dollars.

2d. That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to sell and convey the north- astern corner of the lot with a frontage of not to exceed

seventy (70) feet on Emmons street (as shown by plan prepared by S. C. Taft for this committee) and the dwelling-house thereon, and the house occupied by James M. Freeman as a residence, for removal, at a sum not less than two thousand five hundred ($2,500) dollars in the aggregate.

3d. That the town build a new school-house in accordance with plans and specifications herewith submitted.

4th. That the town raise the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25,000) dollars, appropriating three thousand ($3,000) dollars, and borrowing twenty-two thousand ($22,000) dollars upon the notes of the town, so made and signed by the proper officers as to cause an annual payment of two thousand and two hundred ($2,200) dollars of the principal sum and interest; and that the money thus raised be used for purchasing the lot, for all the necessary expenses of the plans and specifications, for building the school-house and grading the lot.

5th. That a building committee of three (3) be appointed to carry out the vote of the town in this matter.

WILLIAM F. RAY,
GEORGE KING,
O. A. STANLEY,
J. O. CHILSON,
A. H. MORSE,
C. E. GRIFFIN,
H. E. RUGGLES,
HENRY R. JENKS,
J. CUSHING GALLISON,
W. H. BRIGHT.

ART. 2. Voted, that the report of committee be accepted.

By a unanimous vote it was

Voted, that the report and recommendation of the committee be accepted and adopted as a whole.

PURCHASE OF LOT, ETC.

ART. 3. By a unanimous vote it was

Voted, that the report and recommendation of committee applicable to the subject matter of this article be accepted and adopted.

Voted, that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to recommend a committee of three to act as a Building Committee.

And amendment was made to aforesaid motion, That the Building Committee be nominated from the floor.

Not a vote, 37 voting yea and 62 nay.

The moderator then appointed as the committee: Charles Stewart, Amos P. Woodward and Walter M. Fisher, who recommended the following as a Building Committee: Walter M. Fisher, Charles J. McKenzie, Homer V. Snow.

The report of committee was unanimously accepted and adopted.

Voted, that the thanks of the town be extended to the Committee on Plans and Specifications for the faithful manner in which they have discharged their duties.

Voted, at 3 o'clock 15 minutes P. M. to adjourn.

A true copy of record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES.
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

MAY 2, 1891.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin.

GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Town, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Saturday, the second day of May, A. D. 1891, at two o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will take any and what action in relation to filling the vacancy in the Building Committee appointed at the last town meeting to carry out the vote of the town to build a new High-school building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
EDGAR K. RAY,
JAMES HOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, ss. April 25th, 1891.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Saturday, the second day of May, A. D. 1891, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the Town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with section two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of Franklin.

A true copy of warrant and officer's return thereon.

HENRY E. RUGGLES.
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

MAY 2, 1891.

Pursuant to the within warrant, the legal voters of the Town of Franklin assembled in their Town Hall, and proceeded as follows, viz:

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock in the afternoon by the Town Clerk, who then read the warrant.

MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 1. William F. Ray was then chosen Moderator of the meeting by ballot, the check list being used, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. George W. Wiggin, Chairman of Board of Selectmen, informed the meeting that there was a vacancy of two on Building Committee, Homer V. Snow and Charles J. McKenzie having declined to serve.

Voted, that a committee of three be chosen to bring in two names to fill said vacancies.

The following gentlemen were chosen as said committee: Cyrus M. Allen, Robert B. Stewart and George W. Wiggin.

The committee reported the following to fill said vacancies: Eugene N. Thain and George W. Wiggin.

Voted, that the report of committee be accepted.

Voted, that Board of Selectmen be authorized to fill vacancies if any occur in said committee.

Voted, to adjourn.

A true copy of record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

JULY 6, 1891.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Norfolk.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the sixth day of July, A. D. 1891, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will take any and what action in relation to changing the plans and specifications for the new High School building adopted at the last town meeting, or adopting another plan and specifications which will better conform to the shape of the lot recently purchased for said building; or do anything relating thereto.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of June, A. D. 1891.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
JAMES HOOD,
EDGAR R. RAY,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, ss. June 29th, 1891.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the sixth day of July, A. D. 1891, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in

each of the post offices of the Town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting in compliance with Section Two of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of the Town of Franklin.

A true copy of warrant and officer's return thereon.

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

JULY 6, 1891.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the legal voters of the Town of Franklin assembled in their Town Hall at 2 o'clock P. M. and proceeded as follows, viz.:

MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 1. Henry R. Jenks was chosen Moderator of the meeting by ballot, the check list being used, but declined to serve. Declination of Henry R. Jenks was accepted, and the meeting then chose William F. Ray Moderator of the meeting by ballot, the check-list being used, and he was duly sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. Voted, that the "Woodcock Plans" be substituted for the "West Plan," so called, provided that if the work be done by the day that a day's work consist of nine hours per day. The vote standing Yea 50, Nay 13.

Voted, that the Building Committee be authorized to increase the lighting capacity of the building, under the direction of the Architect, provided it is deemed necessary.

Voted, that the Building Committee be authorized to modify the "Woodcock Plans" as they may deem best.

Provided any change shall not exceed the sum appropriated.

Voted, that in case the sum of five thousand ($5000) dollars additional be needed, that the Selectmen be authorized to make a loan of said amount on same conditions as original loan.

Voted, to adjourn.

A true copy of record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

I, Henry E. Ruggles, Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., do hereby certify that at the time and in the manner provided by law, I destroyed the ballots cast at the election held on March 2, 1891.

Attest, HENRY E. RUGGLES.

FRANKLIN, MAY 1, 1891

We, the Selectmen of Franklin, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, hereby appoint James W. Desmond of said Franklin to be a registrar of voters in and for said town, for the term of three years, from the first day of May, A. D. 1891, and until another is appointed in his place.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
EDGAR K. RAY,
JAMES HOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin,

I, James W. Desmond, having been appointed a Registrar of Voters for the town of Franklin, Mass., for the term ending May 1, 1894, do swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of said office. JAMES W. DESMOND.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss. July 10, 1891.

Then, personally appeared, the above-named James W. Desmond, and made oath that he would faithfully discharge the duties incumbent upon him as Registrar of Voters.

Before me, HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Justice of the Peace.

A true copy of record. Attest:
HENRY E. RUGGLES.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin, in said Coanty,
GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town qualified to vote for state officers, to assemble in their town hall on Tuesday, the third day of Novembe; next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said November, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes on one ballot, for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, and Secretary of said Commonwealth, a Councillor for the Second Councillor District, a County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk, a Senator for the Second Norfolk Senatorial District, a County Treasurer, Clerk of Courts, and Register of Deeds, for said County of Norfolk, and two Representatives to the General Court for the Eighth Norfolk Representative District.

And also to give in their votes for or against one or both of the following amendments to the Constitution, to wit:

"So much of article three of the amendments of the Constitution of the Commonwealth as is contained in the following words: 'And who shall have paid, by himself or his parent, master or guardian, any state or county tax, which shall, within two years next preceding such election, have been assessed upon him in any town or district of this Commonwealth; and also every citizen who shall be by law exempt from taxation, and who shall be in all other respects qualified as above mentioned,' is hereby annulled."

"A majority of the members of each branch of the General Court shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from day to day and compel the attendance of absent members. All the provisions of the existing Constitution, inconsistent with the provisions herein contained, are hereby annulled."

The polls may be closed as early as eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, unto the Selectmen, on or before the said day and hour.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN,
EDGAR K. RAY,
JAMES HOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, ss. October 26, A. D. 1891.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the third day of November A. D. 1891, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the Town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with section two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of Franklin.

A true copy of Warrant and officers return thereon.
HENRY E. RUGGLES, Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF NOVEMBER ELECTION.

NOVEMBER 3, 1891.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Franklin, qualified to vote for State officers, met in their town hall, on Tuesday, the third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, and were called to order by George W. Wiggin, presiding officer, who then read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

The Inspectors, Herbert W. Nye and James W. Desmond, and the Deputy Inspectors, Christopher R. Russell and Bradley M. Rockwood, were duly sworn by the Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk then delivered to the Board of Selectmen one of the packages containing the official ballots, and received from them the following receipt, viz.:

FRANKLIN, Nov. 3, 1891.

Received of Henry E. Ruggles, Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., a package said to contain one thousand (1000) official ballots, together with specimen ballots and cards of instruction.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN.
EDGAR K. RAY,
Selectmen of Franklin.

In accordance with the law the Selectmen had caused to be set up twelve booths for the use of the voters in marking

their ballots, and erected a guard rail six feet or more from said booths.

The ballot box to be used at the election was then opened in the public meeting, and shown to the public to be empty, and was examined by the Selectmen and Town Clerk, and found to be empty.

The register of said ballot box was then set at 000, and said ballot box locked and the keys thereof given to the Police Officer, Silas W. Nickerson.

The package of ballots was then opened, and the official ballots passed to the Inspectors, who had previously received a duplicate check-list.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots were at once posted within the polling booths, and outside the guard rail, according to law.

Voting commenced at 7.20 o'clock in the forenoon.

Voted, that the polls be kept open until 3 o'clock, and that they be closed at that time.

The Selectmen appointed as tellers to assist in counting the ballots, William A. Wyckoff, Jeremiah J. McCarthy, Henry H. Gallison, George R. Winsor and Charles P. Gladding, and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk to the faithful discharge of their duties.

The ballot box and check-list were in charge of Selectmen and Town Clerk, who had charge of the election.

The Inspectors and Deputy Inspectors performed their several duties in accordance with the law in such case made and provided.

In voting the check-list was used, and no person was allowed to deposit his vote until his name was found on the check-list and checked.

At 10.40 o'clock A. M., by unanimous consent of the election officers, the ballot box was opened and the ballots taken therefrom and counted.

Due notice having been given, the polls were at three o'clock in the afternoon declared to be closed.

At the close of the polls the register stood at 763.

The names of those on the check-list used by the presiding

officer, which had been checked, were then audiby counted, and found to be 762.

The names of those on the check-list which had been used by the election officers, which had been checked, were then audibly counted and found to be 761.

The Selectmen, Town Clerk and Tellers then proceeded to canvass the votes given in, and the whole number was seven hundred and sixty-one (761), which were counted and recorded and declaration made thereof in open town meeting as follows, viz.:

For Governor of the Commonwealth:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

Charles H. Allen, of Lowell, had three hundred and seventy-three votes—373.

Charles E. Kimball, of Lynn, had forty-four votes—44.

Harry W. Robinson, of Boston, had two votes—2

William E. Russell, of Cambridge, had three hundred and fifteen votes—315.

Henry Winn, of Boston, had three votes—3.

Blank votes, twenty-four—24.

For Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

John W. Corcoran, of Clinton, had two hundred and ninety-five votes—295.

William H. Haile, of Springfield, had three hundred and eighty-five votes—385

George R. Pease, of Lynn, had two votes—2.

William J. Shield, of Boston, had two votes—2.

Augustus R. Smith, of Lee, had forty-three votes—43.

Blank votes, thirty-four—34.

For Secretary of State:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

John D. Cadle, of Westfield, had five votes—5.

Elbridge Cushman, of Lakeville, had two hundred and eighty-nine votes—289.

William M. Olin, of Boston, had three hundred and sixty-five votes—365.

Alfred W. Richardson, of Springfield, had forty-eigh-votes—48.

Edward W. Theinert, of Holyoke, had no votes—0.

Blank votes, fifty-four—54.

For Treasurer and Receiver General of the Commonwealth:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

Charles Triede, of Boston, had no votes—0.

James S. Grinnell, of Springfield, had two hundred and eighty-nine votes—289.

George A. Marden, of Lowell, had three hundred and seventy votes—370 votes.

Samuel B. Shapleigh, of Boston, had forty-eight votes—48.

Thomas A. Watson, of Braintree, had four votes—4.

Blank votes, fifty—50.

For Auditor of the Commonwealth:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

William O. Armstrong, of Boston, had forty-seven votes—47.

John W. Kimball, of Fitchburg, had three hundred and sixty-eight votes—368.

Squire E. Putney, of Somerville, had two votes—2.

William D. T. Trefry, of Marblehead, two hundred and eighty-one—281.

William O. Wakefield, of Lynn, had four votes—4.

Blank votes, fifty-nine—59.

For Attorney General of the Commonwealth:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

Walcot Hamlin, of Amherst, had forty-eight votes—48.

Herbert McIntosh, of Worcester, had four votes—4.

Albert E. Pillsbury, of Boston, had three hundred and sixty-five votes—365.

George M. Stearns, of Chicopee, had two hundred and seventy-eight votes—278.

James Waldock, of Boston, had two votes—2.

Blank votes, sixty-four—64.

For Councillor for the Second Councillor District:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

Charles T. Dunklee, of Brookline, had two hundred and seventy-seven votes—277.

Edwin V. Mitchell, of Medfield, had three hundred and fifty-nine votes—359.

Robert Porter, of Stoughton, had forty-five votes—45.

Blank votes, eighty—80.

For Clerk of the Courts Norfolk County:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

George Kempton, of Sharon, had fifty-seven votes—57.

Erastus Worthington, of Dedham, had five hundred and thirty-three votes—533.

Blank votes, one hundred and seventy-one—171.

For County Commissioner Norfolk County:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one one—761.

Joshua B. Hanners, of Walpole, had fifty-four votes—54.

Ira C. Hersey, of Foxborough, had two hundred and ninety votes—290.

Melville P. Morrill, of Hyde Park, had three hundred and sixty-one votes—361.

Blank votes, thirty-six.

For County Treasurer Norfolk County:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

George W. Dyer, of Weymouth, had 62 votes—62.

Charles H. Smith, of Dedham, had five hundred and forty-six votes—546.

Blank votes, one hundred and fifty-three—153.

For Register of Deeds Norfolk County:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

John H. Burdakin, of Dedham, had five hundred and twenty-three votes—523.

Salmon Squire, of Franklin, had ninety-two votes—92.

Blank votes, one hundred and forty-six—146.

Senator for the Second Norfolk District:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

Clement K. Fay, of Brookline, had two hundred and nineteen votes—219.

Charles E. Mills, of Brookline, had twenty-nine votes—29.

William F. Ray, of Franklin, had four hundred and eighty-seven votes—487.

Blank votes, twenty-six—26.

Representative in General Court for the Eighth Norfolk District:

The whole number of ballots was seven hundred and sixty-one—761.

Erastus P. Carpenter, of Foxborough, had two hundred and twenty-four votes—224.

Timothy Ide, of Medway, had twenty-nine votes—29.

William Mann, of Franklin, had fifty-eight votes—58.

Henry E. Ruggles, of Franklin, had three hundred and seventy-six votes—376.

Amos P. Woodward, of Franklin, had four hundred and sixteen votes—416.

Blank votes, four hundred and nineteen—419.

The returns were then filled out, signed by the Selectmen, attested by the Town Clerk, and sealed up in open town meeting, and delivered to the Town Clerk to be forwarded to their place of destination.

The votes cast and the check-list used by the election officers were then sealed up in different bags, endorsed by the Selectmen, Town Clerk and Tellers, and delivered into the

custody of the Town Clerk, in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided.

Voted, at 1 o'clock A. M., November 4, to adjourn sine die.

A true copy of record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

MEETING OF THE TOWN CLERKS OF THE EIGHTH NORFOLK REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT, NOVEMBER 13, 1891.

A record of the doings of the Town Clerks of the towns of Wrentham, Medway, Franklin, Foxborough, Bellingham and Norfolk, constituting the Eighth Representative District in the County of Norfolk.

On the Thirteenth day of November, A. D. 1891, the Town Clerks of the above-named towns met at the Town Hall in Franklin, and examined a transcript of the records of votes cast on the third day of said month, in said towns, for two Representatives in the General Court, for the Eighth District in said county; and did ascertain that Henry E. Ruggles, of Franklin, and Amos P. Woodward, of Franklin, were duly elected; and issued certificates of their election, one of which was sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth at Boston: two were delivered to the Constable of Franklin, to be served on the said Ruggles and Woodward respectively.

Witness our hands, at Franklin, this Thirteenth day of November, 1891:

DAVID T. STONE,	Town Clerk of	Wrentham.
HENRY E. MASON,	"	Medway.
HENRY E. RUGGEES,	"	Franklin.
LEWIS E. GRAY,	"	Foxborough.
HENRY A. WHITING,	"	Bellingham.
SILAS E. FALES,	"	Norfolk.

A true copy of record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

The aggregate vote of the district was as follows:

Erastus P. Carpenter, of Foxborough, had eight hundred and fifty-one votes—851.

Timothy Ide, of Medway, had one hundred and forty-two votes—142.

William Mann, of Franklin, had one hundred and forty-nine votes—149.

Henry E. Ruggles, of Franklin, had ten hundred and ninety-five votes—1095.

Amos P Woodward, of Franklin, had ten hundred and eighty-five—1085.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

I, Henry E. Ruggles, Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., hereby certify that at the time and in the manner provided by law, I destroyed the ballots cast at the election on November 3, 1891.

Attest:

HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Town Clerk.

Erratum.— On page 106 read "town of Franklin" instead of "town of Norfolk."